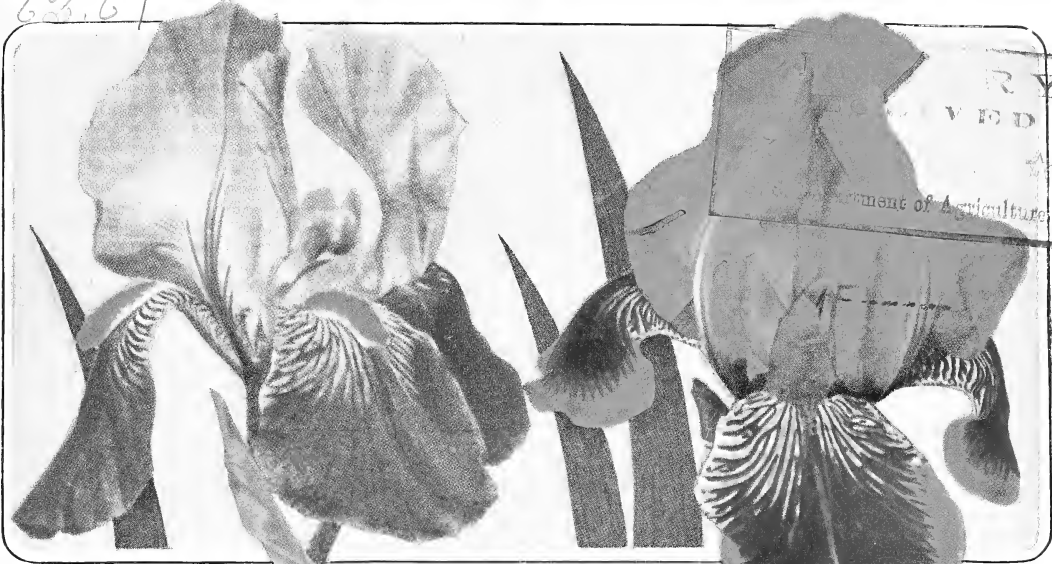


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SIX WONDERFUL ASTERS

1 Cerise Rochester This Aster is one of the finest of the newer Rochesters. The color is very distinct and unique, being a beautiful soft glowing shade which flower lovers greatly admire. It is a perfect Rochester type with great shaggy flowers borne on long stems. Its charming color and handsome form make it unexcelled either for outdoor showing or for cut flower displays. The beautiful artistic coloring deepens somewhat with age. Per packet 25c; two for 40c.

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3 Silvery Pink This exquisitely beautiful flower derives its distinction from its delicate silvery sheen which overlays the predominating color. Each petal has actually the same color from base to tip, but massed in the enormous double blooms the heart of each flower of Silvery Pink appears a warm glowing pink, while, as the light reflects upon them, the tips of the petals have a silvery sheen which makes them appear almost white, the whole effect of which is indescribably beautiful. The flowers are held aloft on long strong stems. Large, vigorous, freely branching plants. Pkt., 20c; 2 for 35c.

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5 Giant Yellow Inspiration The finest yellow Aster yet produced. Its delicate hue of pure sulphur yellow, endears it at once to every true lover of beauty. The flowers are large and remarkably full and ball-shaped, with centers deeply covered with curled and twisted florets. The plants are of branching type and very vigorous. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 35c; ¼ oz., 60c; ½ oz., \$1.00.

6 September Beauty One of the loveliest Asters yet introduced. The plants are tall, with stems 10 to 15 inches long. The shade is like a delicately tinted peach blossom—soft flesh pink. The flowers come just before the American Branching type and are extra large and well formed. Be sure to have this beauty in your garden. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 50c; ¼ oz., 90c.

7 African Daisy **GOLDEN STAR.** Rare showy annual from South Africa and yet a flower easily grown in any fairly good soil. The little plants make a fine low border, almost hugging the ground, and spreading out to a width of 8 or 10 inches. The large daisy-like salmon orange flowers glisten in the sun like molten gold. Blooms from July to fall frosts. Pkt., 10c; 3 for 25c.



Poppy Sunbeams

terminal leaves turn creating a sensation for 40c.

8 Summer Poinsettia

NEW AMARANTH. This brilliant foliage plant is an improvement over Burbanks Molten Fire. On good soil it grows 4 ft. tall and 3 ft. across. Large crinkly leaves and rich bronzy purple with a red blotch along the midrib. Then in August the fiery crimson like a poinsettia, wherever grown. Pkt., 25c; 2

11 Summer Christmas Tree **ARTEMISIA.** Forms a very ornamental pyramid-shaped tree 3 to 5 ft. high—resembling an Evergreen Fir Tree. Foliage is rich dark green. You will find it attractive, planted as single specimens or as a border like Mexican Fire Bush. An annual making full growth from seed in one year. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 50c; ¼ oz., 90c.

12 Lilium Regale **THE REGAL LILY.** It is absolutely hardy, and is excellent for forcing. It has been predicted that this will become the Easter Lily of the future, and being so hardy, may be grown at home. The flowers are white, slightly suffused with pink with a beautiful shade of canary yellow at the center, and extending part way up the trumpet. It is delightfully perfumed, reminding one of the jasmine, and lacking the heavy oppressive odor of most lilies. Blooms out of doors early in July, and seedling bulbs will flower the second year. Pkt., (35 seeds), 25c; 5 pkts. for \$1.00; ¼ oz., \$1.50.

13 Japanese Iris

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9 Canna **NEW VARIETIES.** Mixed. These seeds are selected from a choice collection of a French specialist who has given much time and attention to this plant. These seeds should produce first class varieties. Pkt., 25c; oz., 75c.

10 Golden Buttercup Poppy Large golden yellow, cup-shaped flowers, 3 inches across, on long stems over attractive foliage. The color is clear bright yellow, the petals are crinkled, like crushed satin. Plants make a strong bush and produce the attractive flowers in abundance from July until late Fall. Very showy for garden display in a row or mass planting. The cut flowers will keep in fresh water for a week or longer. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 35c; ½ oz., 60c; oz., \$1.00.

14 Blue Salvia FARINACEA. You have admired the grand beds of red Salvia, but are you familiar with the beautiful blue variety of this same flower? It is nice for cutting or for bedding, the flowers being borne on tall graceful spikes. Try it this year. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; 1/8 oz., 75c.

15 New Hardy White Salvia ARGENTEA. Very attractive silvery white foliage. Pyramids of white flowers, three feet high. Blossoms the second year from seed. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; 1/8 oz., 60c.

16 Border of Gold TAGETES. This sunny little flower belongs to the marigold family, growing 12 to 15 inches high and making a compact plant. The foliage is fern-like and dainty. Planted in a row, all during the summer and fall you will have a golden stripe of bloom. The flowers are small but they literally cover the plants with sunshine. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; 1/8 oz., 40c.

17 Shell Flower CHELONE BARBATA. Chelone has few rivals among the perennials. The flower-spikes are closely set with the rich coral-red blooms. It is an excellent variety for cutting, and blooms most freely in moist soil and semi-shaded location. Protect the plants with straw during severe winter weather. Pkt., 10c; 1/16 oz., 25c; 1/8 oz., 45c; 1/4 oz., 85c.

18 Pansy, Miracle MASTODON MIXED. We can almost say that miracles have been wrought in producing these wonder Pansies. The plants are hardy, very early flowering, bear huge blooms on long stems and the colors,—well, they are beyond description. You should see a bed of these pansies in bloom. Do not buy this mixture unless you really want and will appreciate something quite out of the ordinary in pansies. Pkt., 35c; 3 pkts. for \$1.00.

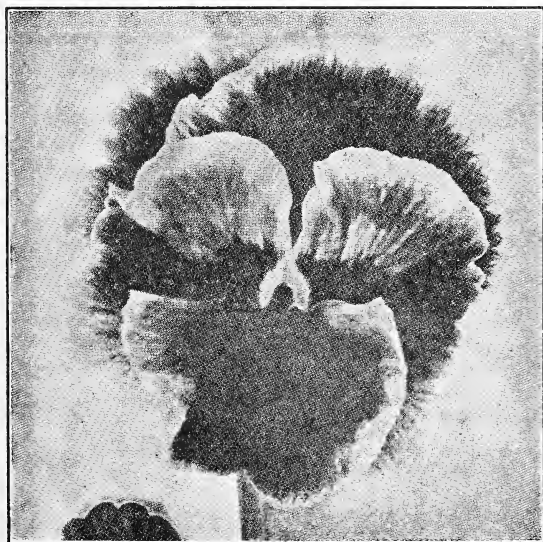
19 Tritoma HYBRIDA EARLY FLOWERING MIXED. The Tritomas are effective border plants usually in shades of vivid red; these hybrids will contain many interesting colors and all will flower early. Pkt., 25c; 3 pkts., 50c.

20 Poppy SUNBEAMS. This is the result of a cross between the Shirley and Nudicaule types. The flowers are charming shades of orange, salmon, maize and other tints. The blooms keep well in water which makes it a fine cut flower for baskets or vases. Pkt., 25c; 3 pkts., 50c.



September Beauty Aster

21 Delphinium SUMMER CLOUD. The flowers are pure white and come true from seed. A great addition to the perennial border and a plant you will prize and enjoy showing your friends. Last summer we had a vase of them in our office and it truly had the effect of summer clouds in June. Pkt., 25c; 3 pkts., 50c.



Pansy Mastodon

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Very sincerely yours,
HOWARD HERRMANN.

P.S.—A later report from Mr. Hermann, dated June 6th, advised not a single tree had been lost and all were doing fine.

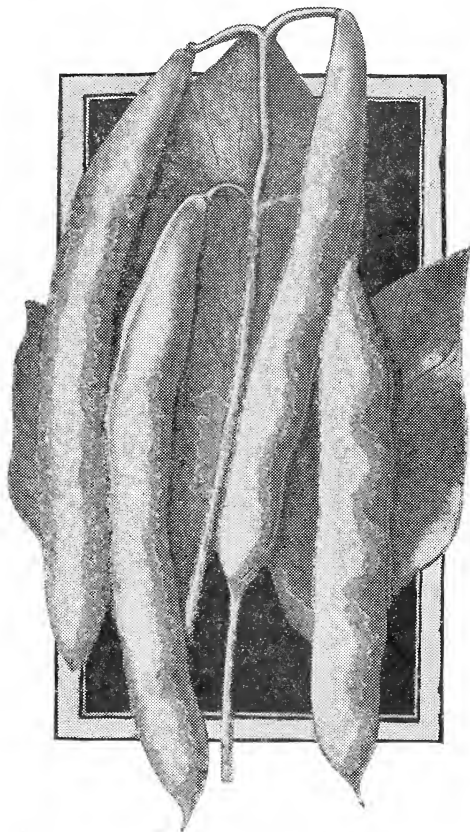
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Sincerely,
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22 New Beet, Early Wonder A Very Fine Market and Table Beet. This is an early beet with a very small tap-root, small top and is of exceptionally fine dark red color. The beets are slightly flattened and mature very evenly so that when you commence to pull on a field of them you may pull the entire crop clean. This beet having such a small top makes it a light yielder of seed, but it is well worth the extra cost of the seed. Matures earlier than any other variety, therefore, will mature two crops in one season on same field. Very good sort for early as well as for a fall or winter beet. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 50c; lb., \$1.50; 5 lbs., \$6.00, postpaid.

23 New Bountiful Beans Remarkably Prolific and Continuous Bearer. This superior variety is a distinct improvement in green bush beans, and has become exceedingly popular wherever known. The plant is of thrifty growth, and practically rust and mildew proof. It is very hardy, extremely early, very prolific, and bears continuously for several weeks; it is the first to give pods fit to pick in the spring, and the last to yield edible pods in the fall. But the crowning merit of this grand Bush Bean is in the rich, green pods, which are of large size, thick, broad, flat, extra long, very uniform in shape, solid, meaty, and of high quality; melting, tender and having a delicious flavor exclusively their own; moreover, the pods are absolutely

stringless. In addition, is most excellent shelled for winter use. Ready for picking in 42 days. ¼ lb., 10c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express 10 lbs., or more 23c per lb.

24 New Golden Acre Cabbage A New Introduction and One of the Earliest Cabbages in Existence. The Golden Acre is perhaps the most important new Cabbage introduced in years. It matures hard, round heads, nine inches in diameter, 80 days from time of sowing seed. Remarkably uniform in size and growth, compact in habit, with few outer leaves; very solid for such an early sort and of fine quality. Our seed comes direct from Denmark and is the best that can be procured. Pkt., 25c; oz., \$1.50; ¼ lb., \$4.50.

25 Cauliflower, Dry Weather OR DANISH GIANT. This is a valuable strain that possesses the quality of forming good heads on dry soil and during stretches of dry weather, when other varieties fail. The head is beautiful, large, snow white and is protected by large leaves making it easier to "whiten" than Snowball. Only a trifle later than Snowball, perhaps not quite as good for greenhouse growing, but a wonder for the open ground. A sure header. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 50c; oz., \$2.00.

26 Golden Giant Sweet Corn This valuable Golden Sweet Corn was introduced to combine size and earliness. It has attracted much attention and was in great demand last spring. It is a cross between Golden Bantam and Howling Mob, producing heavy stalks, usually carrying two large 12 to 14 rowed ears. The heaviest yielding early yellow variety. ¼ lb., 15c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75; postpaid. By express, 10 lbs., or more, 25c per lb.

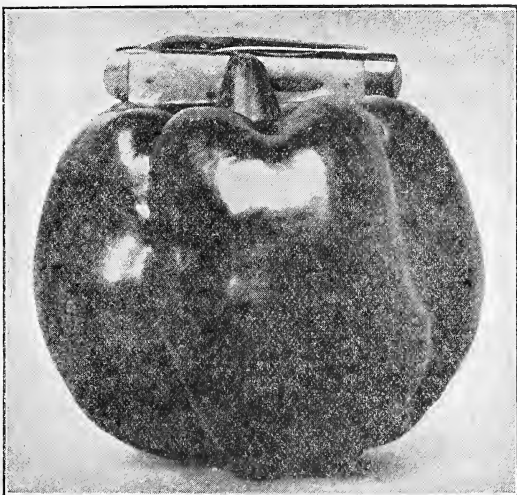
27 Celery EMPEROR (New). A quality variety —almost in a class by itself for flavor and brittleness. It is dwarf in type (hence easier to blanch than taller kinds) second early and a good winter keeper. The stems are round (not moon-shaped), a distinguishing characteristic. Bred especially for freedom from hollow stalks. If you grow celery be sure and plant this for quality. Pkt., 15c; ½ oz., 35c; oz., 60c; ¼ lb., \$2.00; lb., \$7.50.

28 Early Fortune Cucumber (52 days.) For a good all-round cucumber, this distinctive variety is the finest yet introduced. The rich dark green fruits when matured at the slicing stage average 7½ to 8 inches in length and retain their color for a remarkably long time. The flesh is firm, with a small seed cavity, making it a



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Chinese Giant Pepper

good shipping and market sort. As a pickling sort it is equally as good, producing an enormous quantity of uniform well shaped pickles. The vine growth is very vigorous and the leaves, which are larger than those of other sorts, are very resistant to disease. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50.

29 Table Squash **DES MOINES.** In size Des Moines equals a fair sized husked cocoanut, and a half, baked, serves one person amply. This avoids the waste resulting from the use of large varieties. The shell is thin and it does not require over 20 minutes for boiling or baking. This squash is ready before the Hubbards and yet stores equally well. The color is a dark green changing to bright golden after picking and storing. The meat is dry and mealy. It yields enormously, a few hills furnishing an ample supply for a good sized family. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50, postpaid.

30 New Burbank The earliest tomato grown. To beat your neighbors with ripe tomatoes plant some Burbanks this year, in our experience the Earliest Tomato in existence. Burbank is everything that can be desired in a home garden tomato, attractive bright fruits, medium size, smooth—well formed and ripens evenly all over. It is a good cropper also. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; oz., 75c, postpaid.

31 Giant Tree Tomato A new tomato of great merit. Will climb from 8 to 15 feet high, trained on trellis. Fruit is medium to large size, of meaty and luscious flavor. Immense bearers, from 50 to 100 pounds on vine. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; oz., 45c; ¼ lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

32 New Muskmelon **GOLDEN CHAMPLAIN.** This melon was originated in the Western Reserve by Mr. H. J. Walrath, and has been on our markets here for several years. Golden Champlain is a medium sized melon, nicely netted, flesh deep, sweet and melting, of a golden yellow. Vines are vigorous and healthy, setting and ripening melons even under adverse conditions. It is the earliest melon grown, ripening in 57 days from seed to market, quality cannot be excelled. In productiveness this variety has yielded \$2000.00 per acre. The New York State Experiment Station tried the Golden Champlain in comparison with 40 other varieties, and reported it to be much earlier, and of delicious flavor. This melon has been grown as far North as Winnipeg, Canada, and Northern Maine where no other melon will ripen. Don't fail to plant this melon for an early melon cash crop. Pkt., 20c; ½ oz., 40c; oz., 60c; ¼ lb., \$1.50; lb., \$5.00; 2 lbs., \$9.00; 5 lbs., \$20.00, postpaid.

33 Muskmelon, Golden Hearts Here is a melon to make your mouth water, the deep golden salmon flesh is so sweet. The melon is medium small, the size in

much demand for the fancy hotel trade, averaging 5-6 inches in diameter, yet heavy because of the thick flesh and small seed cavity. It ripens right down to the rind—so you can eat almost the whole melon. Often there will be as many as twelve melons to the vine, and they run remarkably uniform in size, shape and quality. Fruit ribbed and protected with a heavy netting. Ready to eat about a week before select early Osage. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$3.00, postpaid.

34 King of Denmark Spinach A remarkable new spinach that is far superior to all of the older kinds. Its principal advantage is that it stands two weeks longer before running to seed than any other variety. It also grows larger and yields more and is of superior quality. This is a great advantage both for the home garden and the commercial grower. The King of Denmark instead of running to seed keeps on growing for two weeks longer, producing a heavy yield and prolonging the time during which it may be used, or marketed. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 30c; lb., \$1.00; 5 lbs., \$4.00, postpaid.

35 New Winter Watermelon The fruits of this new melon are of medium size, round, pale yellow when ripening, flesh bright red, crystalline, sweet as honey. Seeds very small, black. Take fruits from garden before frost and store in cool cellar. They will keep in perfect condition for at least 60 days. Matures in 80 to 85 days. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 60c; lb., \$2.25, postpaid.

36 Chinese Giant Pepper A wonderful variety, and is by far the largest sort ever grown. It is mammoth in size, splendid shape, beautiful color, being a rich, glossy red; mild flavor and not pungent. Its strong, bushy plants are literally loaded with the large fruit. They grow so large the plants should be started early and allow plenty of time for fruit to mature before early frost. Pkt., 19c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 35c; oz., 60c; ¼ lb., \$2.00.

Marietta, O., March 20th, 1926.

Dear Sirs: The one year old Japanese Strawberry plants arrived in good shape and are excellent looking plants. I thank you.

Yours truly,
MRS. E. F. PRAUGE,
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YARD LONG BEANS



37 The Yard Long Bean

ASPARAGUS BEAN. Pods are nearly up to the name, often reaching a length of 30 to 36 inches, but usually 18 to 24 inches. Your friends will wonder at and admire your plants of this great bean, and they are of excellent table quality also, with a rich asparagus flavor. Do not be without this valuable curiosity. It is a pole bean of quick growth, with neat foliage, not attacked by insects. Pkt., 10c; ¼ lb., 35c; lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

Giant Washington Asparagus

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Asparagus is perfectly hardy and when once established lasts for years. It will thrive in all localities and on any soil that will produce general farm crops.

39 Giant Washington Asparagus This is a wonderful new variety developed by the United States Department of Agriculture. It is the only rust resistant variety of asparagus grown. It is a fast growing variety with a delicious flavor and tenderness, yielding stalks two inches in diameter, and even when twelve inches long are perfectly tender. Tests in all parts of the country have proven conclusively that the new Giant Washington is superior to any other variety and the best yielder. Our seed is guaranteed to be genuine Giant Washington. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.75; 5 lbs., \$12.50, postpaid.

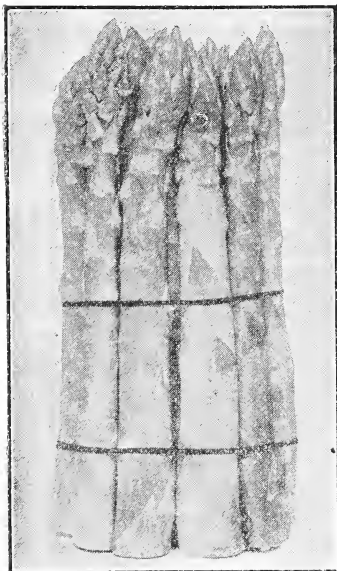
40 Conover's Colossal This sort is one of the largest and most extensively used green varieties. Shoots bright green, sometimes tinged with purple at the top, very tender and of the best quality. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 35c; 1 lb., \$1.25; 5 lbs., \$5.00, postpaid.

Giant Washington Asparagus Roots

A bed of Asparagus in the garden properly attended to, will for many years furnish an abundance of this finest vegetable in the early spring.

An Asparagus bed is a permanent investment and every garden should have one. Plant about 8 to 10 inches apart in the row, and the rows 3 to 3½ feet apart. Plant deep enough to permit the crowns to be covered about 3 to 4 inches, with rich, mellow soil. The roots may be planted either in the spring or fall.

Due to most favorable growing conditions this past year our asparagus roots are the finest and largest we have ever grown. They are larger than any roots you have ever purchased, real big healthy plants full of life. They are worth more than little roots dug out of nursery rows, as they are all transplanted stock.



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Young roots of the Myatt's Victoria, which, if planted in good soil early in the spring, will make a strong growth and yield stalks for market the following spring. The plants increase in size every year and will with proper care last for many years. Two roots for 35c; 5 for 75c; 10 for \$1.25, postpaid. By express, 100 roots, \$6.00; 500 for \$25.00.

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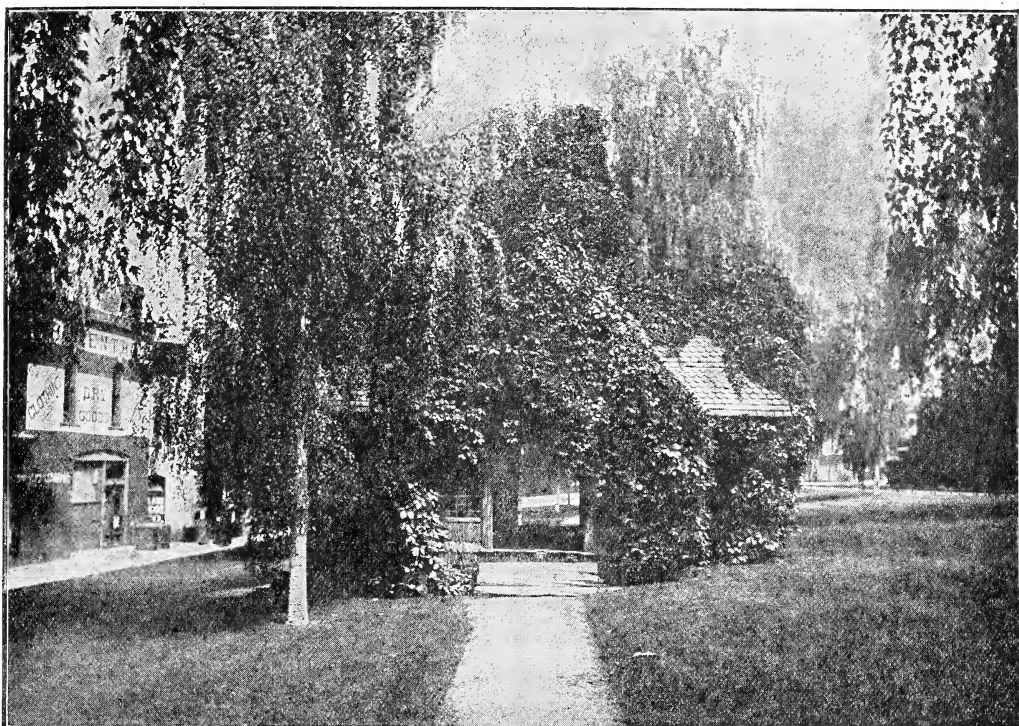
Ransom Seed & N. Co., Geneva, O.

Gentlemen: Last year you sent seed Asters of a magenta shade which were very, very satisfactory. All my friends asked for seeds, but was unable to find your catalog, but am glad to say I found a letter from you which I enclose. Please fill the following.

Yours truly,
MRS. GEORGE GERRITY,
161 Cleveland Ave.

Making a Super Lawn

The New Bent Grass Surpasses the Finest Old Style Turf



The past few years have given us notable discoveries about lawn making. The finest grass for making lawns should contain some of the New Bent grass which comes from Germany. Kentucky Blue grass does not make a good sod the first year but improves in subsequent years. It is apt to become brown in dry weather. Some of the Fescues are extremely valuable. Fine leaved Sheep's Fescue has the narrowest blades. Sweet Vernal grass is odorless and gives a softness to the lawn. White Clover forms a dense ground cover. So in order to get results we must not depend upon one grass alone, but must so mix our varieties that a thick turf is formed not only quickly, but permanently. Chapter 2 of our book Garden Guide contains the most valuable information on lawn making, and every home owner should read it.

NOTE. A representative of this Company visited the Government Arlington Farm at Washington, D. C., this summer and we have secured propagating stocks of Washington and Metropolitan stolons for lawns and these will be ready to offer our customers the fall of 1927. Creeping bent stolons should only be planted in the fall. Stolons are not seed.

PLANT LAWN GRASS SEED IN THE SPRING OR FALL

Personally we like fall planting of lawn seed, and mix a little oats with the seed. The oats come up and protect the ground from washing. Frost kills the oats but they protect and form a mulch for the new lawn over winter. In the spring roll down and rake and you will have a nice lawn. We very seldom hear of a failure of fall sown lawn seed. The only thing which can hurt a spring sown lawn is dry weather, and this can be remedied by watering.

LAWN SEEDS

41 Ransom's Evergreen Lawn Mixture

Lawn trouble will be ended if you sow our Evergreen Lawn Mixture. If you want a beautiful lawn that

will at all times be green and velvety, don't waste time and money sowing cheap grass seed. Our Evergreen Lawn Mixture is composed of the finest varieties of grasses, each of which has its season of beauty, with the result that a sod is produced that is always green. It will produce a rich and enduring turf in the shortest possible time without the use of cheap "quick growing" grasses. Not only is our Evergreen Lawn Mixture the best lawn mixture obtainable, but in the end it is really the most economical brand to plant. Being free from chaff, and of high germination, one pound will sow 400 square feet. Prices: ½ lb., 30c; lb., 50c; 3 lbs., \$1.40; 5 lbs., \$2.25; 10 lbs., \$4.25, postpaid. By express 25 lbs., \$9.50; 50 lbs., \$18.00; 100 lbs., \$34.00.

42 Shady Nook Lawn Mixture

On nearly every lawn there are unsightly spots caused by the fact that ordinary varieties of grasses used for lawns do not do well in the shade. Our Shady Nook Mixture is made up of the most expensive fancy grasses which naturally grow in shady spots. Prices: ½ lb., 35c; lb., 60c; 2 lbs., \$1.10; 5 lbs., \$2.50; 10 lbs., \$4.75, postpaid. By express, 25 lbs., \$10.50; 50 lbs., \$20.00.

43 Pure White Clover

It is often advisable to include a larger proportion of White Clover, especially in poor clay soil. Also for renovating old lawns the Clover will often take hold where other grasses fail. ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 85c; 3 lbs., \$2.25; 5 lbs., \$3.50, postpaid. By express, 10 lbs. for \$6.00.

LIME, BONEMEAL AND SHEEP MANURE
ARE THE BEST FERTILIZERS FOR LAWNS

DON'T WASTE TIME, PATIENCE, AND WORK ON CHEAP LAWN MIXTURES

GENERAL LIST OF HIGHEST GRADE VEGETABLE SEEDS

Ransom's Guaranteed Seeds are the Best for All Climates

We don't offer as many varieties as some seedsmen, as we weed out the poorer sorts, and offer only the best. The average seed catalog lists many things that nobody would want if they ever tried them.

We don't advertise one variety under several different names, giving different descriptions to each.

We don't charge robbery prices; neither do we sell seeds at lower prices than good seeds can be grown. Our aim is to reduce the price whenever we can do so without reducing the quality, but we never reduce the quality. If you are offered seeds at lower prices than the prices charged by us you can be sure the quality is not up to our standard, for best quality seeds can't be sold below our prices. Read our guarantee on page 1.

TABLE BEETS

Beets should have a rich loam soil. In preparing your seed bed, pulverize as fine as possible. Cultivate thoroughly and often. Sow as early as ground can be worked, in drills from twelve to eighteen inches for hand culture, to two and one-half feet for horse cultivation, cover to a depth of one to two inches. Continue sowing every ten days for a succession. Thin to a stand of four to six inches apart in the rows. One ounce to sixty feet of drill; five to six pounds per acre.

44 Early Eclipse (45 days). An early Beet especially desirable for the home garden, as they mature through a long period. The tops are small, roots are bright deep red, smooth, round or slightly topshaped. The flesh is bright red, zoned with pink; very sweet, crisp and tender, especially when young. Large packet 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 30c; lb., 90c; 5 lbs., \$3.75, postpaid.

45 Crosby's Egyptian (42 days). The Great For Market Growers. A very superior extra early strain of garden Beet which has been carefully selected for years. This Beet excels in handsome form, a good size, small tops, very small tap-root, fine quality, and above all, quick, rapid growth. The flesh is deep red. Takes on its turnip shape very early, a decided advantage for forcing for real early market, and especially for a market where Beets are sold in bunches. A favorite sort in all sections of the country. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25; 5 lbs., \$5.00, postpaid.

46 Detroit Dark Red (50 days). The best for canning or main crop. Detroit makes a beautiful appearance served on the table or bunched for market, retaining its deep red color no matter how served. A big cropper with small upright tops permitting close planting. The roots are globe shaped. Skin and flesh dark blood red without the white zones. Sweet, tender and delicious. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 30c; lb., 90c; 5 lbs., \$3.75, postpaid.

47 Improved Early Blood Turnip (42 days). This splendid Beet is early, and of extra fine quality. The color is a rich dark red, and shape is globular. It is free from side

or fibrous roots, being always smooth. It is excellent for forcing for a main or summer crop, or for use in winter, as it is a good keeper. It always cuts and cooks a rich, dark blood-red; it is tender, sweet and crisp and is in every way the standard sort for the home gardener. Ready for use in 45 days. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 75c; 5 lbs., \$3.50, postpaid.

EARLY WONDER BEET. See page 4.

48 Mixed Beet Seed This is a very carefully prepared mixture of best sorts for table use. A small quantity of Mixed Beet seed will supply you with beets throughout the season for table use, canning and storing for winter. Large pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 75c, postpaid.

49 Swiss Chard (21 days). Spinach Beet or Summer Spinach. This fine vegetable gives large returns for little care; it yields a constant crop from July until winter. The leaves of Swiss Chard are used for greens the same as spinach or beet tops; they are equal in quality and easier to prepare than spinach, and far superior to beets. Sow early in spring, in rows 16 inches apart, and thin out to 6 inches apart in the rows. It can be used all summer when spinach is not available. Later the leaves grow very large, with broad, flat, pure white stems, which may be cooked like asparagus or celery or made into very good pickles. Gardeners make good money using Swiss Chard as a catch-crop. It gives quick results. Fine for poultry as green feed or pasture.

LUCULLUS.—Stalks very large and thick; pure white. Leaves nicely curled. Large pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 75c, postpaid.

MANGELS AND SUGAR BEETS

CULTURE.—Both Mangels and Sugar Beets require deep, well enriched soil. Sow in May or June in rows 18 inches to 2 feet apart and 6 to 8 inches in the row. Young plants may be transplanted to fill up vacancies. As soon as frost occurs, dig the crop. For winter store in cellar or in pits. Sow 5 to 6 pounds per acre.

50 Golden Tankard Mangel (95 days). The flesh is rich deep yellow, differing in this respect from other Mangels, surpassing them in milk producing qualities. Sheep and other stock thrive on this variety. The roots are of large diameter, tapering quickly at bottom, which is quite broad, with only a small tap-root. It yields an enormous bulk on good land. Oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 15c; lb., 55c; 5 lbs., \$2.25, postpaid.

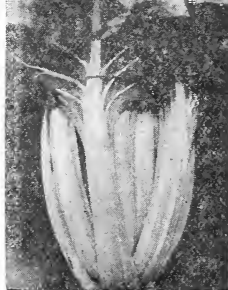
51 Great Giant or Mammoth Long Red Mangel Beet (115 days). Decidedly a monstrous size Beet, and of regular shape and quality, nutritious and valuable as a stock food; blood-red color, very smooth and decidedly improved strain of Mangels. Plant from first of April to last of June. A good root crop is essential from which to realize a good profit. Oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 15c; lb., 50c; 5 lbs., \$2.00, postpaid.



Detroit Dark Red Beet



New Wonder Lima



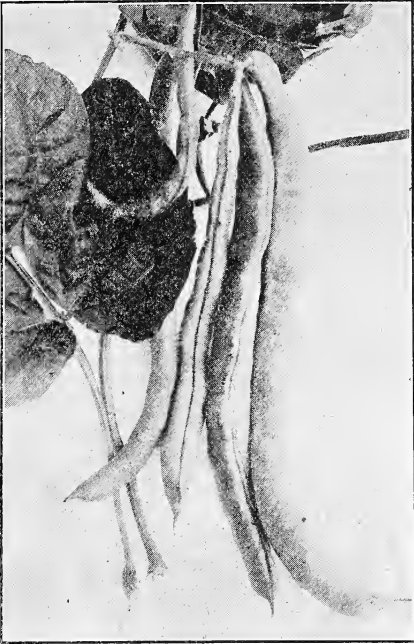
Spinach Beet



Refugee

A FANCY CATALOGUE CANNOT MAKE QUALITY SEEDS

GROW MORE BEANS



Ky. Wonder

TWO POUNDS WILL PLANT A ROW 200 FEET LONG; 1 TO 2 BU. TO THE ACRE

To Have Beans at Their Best—Make several successive plantings. As most varieties are ready to pick in 45 to 50 days you can keep planting just as long as there is that much time left before frost. Another good idea is to plant an early and late variety at the same time.

52 Dwarf Green Pods (Round Pod) (31 days). The most popular of the round podded varieties. Early, very productive—pods tender, fleshy and free from strings. Whether for home or market, we know of no variety combining more good qualities. Ready to pick in 50 days. $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75, postpaid. By express, 25c per lb.

53 Refugee 1000 to 1 (Round Pod) (35 days). A delicious bean with very tender, fine-grained, juicy, round pods. Planted with the early varieties, will bear a week later. $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 10c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express, 23c per lb.

NEW BOUNTIFUL BEAN. See page 4.

DWARF WAX OR BUTTER BEANS

54 Improved Golden Wax (40 days) (Flat Pod). Greatly improved over the old style Golden Wax, and it will pay you to plant our strain of this splendid variety. Pods perfectly straight, very broad, flat, but thick through, fleshy and stringless. $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75, postpaid. By express, 25c per lb.

55 Wardwell's Kidney Wax (48 days). Strong, upright bush growth, 15 inches in height, very productive. Pods straight, fleshy, 5 inches in length and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch broad. A rich golden-yellow, tender and quite stringless, even when fully developed; of rich, luscious flavor and exceptionally brittle. A great favorite with market gardeners on account of the large size, handsome appearance and fine quality of the pods. This variety will give you a mess of beans for your table under fair conditions in seven weeks after seed is planted. $\frac{1}{4}$

lb., 15c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75, postpaid. By express, 25c per lb.

BUSH LIMAS AND POLE BEANS

56 King of the Garden Pole Lima (90 days). Extensive trials show this to be the best of all pole lima beans, unsurpassed in yield or quality. The vines produce continually until killed by frost. Pkt., 10c, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15c; lb., 45c; 5 lbs., \$2.00, postpaid. By express, 30c per lb.

57 Kentucky Wonder Green Pod OR OLD HOME-STEAD. (58 days). The most useful and satisfactory of all the green podded Pole Beans. Early, wonderfully prolific, bearing continually until frosts; pods very long, in clusters. May be planted with corn Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75, postpaid. By express, 25c per lb.

58 New Wonder Bush Lima (60 days). The recognized standard of bush Lima Bean quality. Large, robust, compact plants; productive. Pods uniformly large, produced in clusters and maturing in midseason. Large flat beans of superior quality. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 15c; lb., 45c; 5 lbs., \$2.00, postpaid. By express, 32c per lb.

BAKING VARIETIES

59 White Kidney Excellent shell Bean. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{2}$ lb., 20c; lb., 30c; 5 lbs., \$1.25; 10 lbs., \$2.00, postpaid.

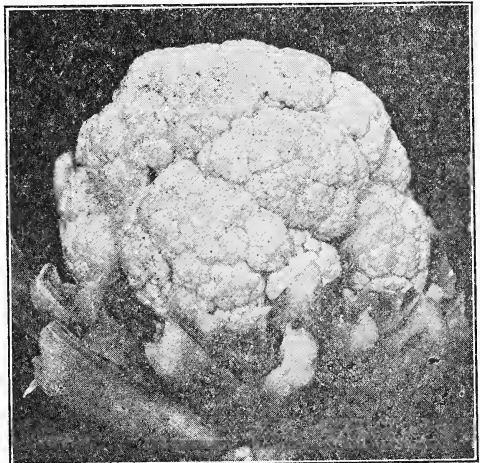
60 Improved Boston Pea or Navy Choicest Northern grown seed. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{2}$ lb., 20c; lb., 30c; 5 lbs., \$1.25; 10 lbs., \$2.00, postpaid.

CAULIFLOWER

CULTURE. Start plants in frame or seed beds, or for early plants start in hot bed. Transplant as soon as large enough to handle. Set the plants two to three feet apart each way. One ounce of seed will produce from 3,000 to 4,000 plants.

61 Early Snowball (100 days). You will welcome this strain as one on which you can depend absolutely. It is the best in existence. Snowball is the earliest and best for the home gardener who has rich, moist soil, for market and for the greenhouse grower. The plants are compact, few outer leaves, heads solid, medium large and snowy white. In selecting this certain Danish strain we made sure that it would answer the requirements of the most critical gardener. Pkt., 15c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., \$1.40; oz., \$2.50; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., \$7.00; lb., \$20.00, postpaid.

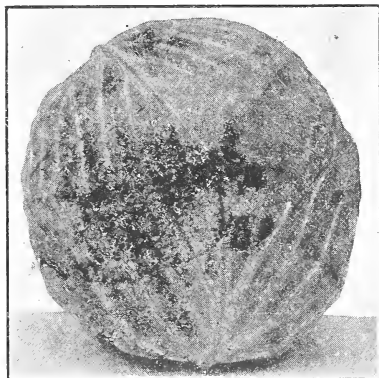
DANISH GIANT OR DRY WEATHER (90 days). See page 4.



Snowball Cauliflower

To increase your yield of Beans, inoculate seed with McQueen's Cultures, small size, 20c postpaid

Cabbage



Surehead

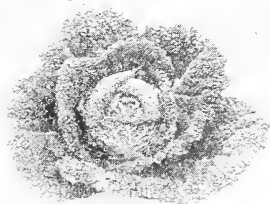
keep fully as well when stored. Danish Roundhead is ready for market in 115 days. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., 90c; lb., \$2.75, postpaid.

CABBAGE, Extra Early Varieties

	By mail, postpaid	Pkt.	½ oz.	oz.	¼ lb.	lb.
64 Copenhagen Market. (75 days) Round, solid, large, short stemmed		10c	20c	35c	\$1.00	\$3.50
65 Early Jersey Wakefield. (75 days) Earliest oblong headed cabbage of good quality. Solid		10c	20c	35c	1.00	3.50
66 Early Dwarf Flat Dutch. (80 days). A very popular summer cabbage		5c	15c	25c	.75	2.75
67 Glory of Enkhuizen. (90 days) Round, large, with few outer leaves..		10c	20c	35c	1.00	3.50

CABBAGE, Late Varieties

	By mail, postpaid	Pkt.	½ oz.	oz.	¼ lb.	lb.
68 Surehead (110 days). Flat, hard, large, fine grained		10c	20c	35c	\$1.00	\$3.50
69 Premium Flat Dutch (115 days). Large, solid, broad flat heads, fine keeper		5c	15c	25c	.75	2.50
70 Mammoth Rock Red (120 days). Flat, large, very solid, dark red		10c	20c	35c	1.00	3.50



Savoy Cabbage

71 Drumhead Savoy Cabbage Forms medium sized, very solid heads, with leaves finely crimped. Without question the earliest and finest Savoy; its fine appearance and delicate sweet flavor is unexcelled. A fine salad cabbage of equal value to the market gardener and private garden. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 15c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c, postpaid.

ORDER EARLY

Crisp Celery

CULTURE.—Sow seeds in hotbed or cold frame. As soon as the plants are about 3 inches high, transplant to a nicely prepared bed in the border, setting them 4 or 5 inches apart. When about 8 inches high, and fine, stocky plants, set them out in rows 3 ft. apart and cultivate well during summer. Earth up for blanching in autumn, but never hoe or earth up when the foliage is moist or wet. A packet will produce 300 to 400 plants; an ounce 5000 to 6000 plants.

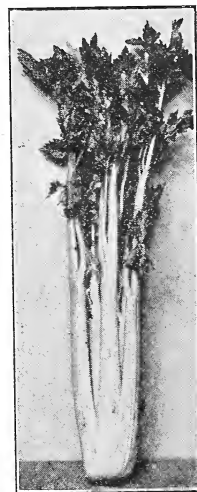
EMPEROR CELERY. See page 4.

	By mail, postpaid	Pkt.	½ oz.	oz.	¼ lb.	lb.
72 Golden Self-Blanching. French Grown (110 days). The finest early celery		10c	25c	40c	\$1.25	\$4.00
73 Giant Pascal or Winter King. (140 days). One of the best for winter use		10c	20c	30c	1.00	3.00
74 White Plume (105 days). Most easily blanched of any celery in cultivation		10c	15c	25c	.75	2.50

75 Celery Mixture

This mixture contains a splendid selection of all the leading and most valuable varieties in cultivation, and will certainly give the greatest possible satisfaction. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 50c, postpaid.

76 Celeriac **TURNIP-ROOTED CELERY.** The large, solid, turnip-like roots are highly esteemed for serving like parsnips or turnips or flavoring soups, etc. For winter and spring use, store same as turnips or beets. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., 90c, postpaid.



Giant Pascal

Table Carrots

CULTURE. It is best to sow as early in the spring as the ground is fit to work, though good crops may be grown from sowing as late as June 15th. Prepare the ground thoroughly and sow in drills 12 to 24 inches apart, using from 4 to 5 pounds to the acre. It is necessary to sow Carrots quite thickly. Sowing a few quick germinating seeds with the carrot, as Lettuce or Radish, is a help in cultivating the rows.

Cover $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ inch deep and firm the soil well around the seeds. Keep the weeds back and thin the plants later to 3 or 4 inches apart. On heavy and hard soils, plant the shorter and earlier varieties for satisfactory results. One ounce will sow a row 100 feet long. 4 pounds sow one acre.

By mail, postpaid

Pkt. oz. $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. lb. 5 lbs.

77 Chantenay of Model (60 days). Deep orange-red, half long stump rooted, smooth, thick, excellent. 10c 15c 35c \$1.00 \$4.50

78 Danvers Half Long (70 days). Rich dark orange, half long tapering to a blunt point; very popular. 10c 15c 35c 1.00 4.50

79 Oxheart or Guerande (65 days). Small tops. Stout and thick; small tap root, bright orange. 10c 20c 50c 1.25 5.00

80 Carrot Mixture This great mixture contains all the different varieties we offer, including all shapes, colors and sizes. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 25c; lb., 75c; postpaid.

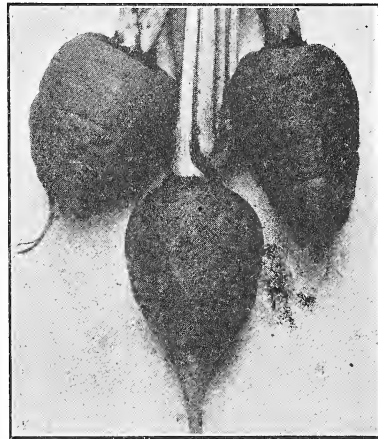
CARROTS FOR STOCK

81 Mastodon or White Intermediate

Heaviest cropping Carrot. Roots short, white, very heavy at shoulder, easy to harvest without breaking. One of the most profitable sorts. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 25c; lb., 85c; 5 lbs., \$3.75, postpaid.

CUCUMBERS

Cucumbers succeed best in rich loamy soil. As soon as the weather becomes warm and settled, plant in hills four to six feet apart each way, with 10 to 12 seeds in a hill; cover one-half inch deep. Air slaked lime or "Slug Shot" sprinkled on the plants every few days as soon as they are up will protect them from the striped beetle. When all danger from insects is past, thin out plants, leaving three or four of the strongest to each hill. The fruit should be picked when large enough, otherwise it destroys their productiveness. One ounce to 50 hills. 2 to 3 lbs. per acre.



Oxheart Carrot

82 Davis Perfect (55 days). By using this variety gardeners can produce Cucumbers outdoors that will sell in the market for hot-house forcing varieties. The shape is ideal, tapering at both ends, as shown in our illustration. It is almost seedless, and the few seeds when in eating condition are so small and tender that they are hardly noticeable. Most important of all it does not lose its dark, rich color when grown outdoors. Grows a fine pickle. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

Cucumbers

By mail, postpaid

Pkt. oz. $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. lb. 5 lbs.

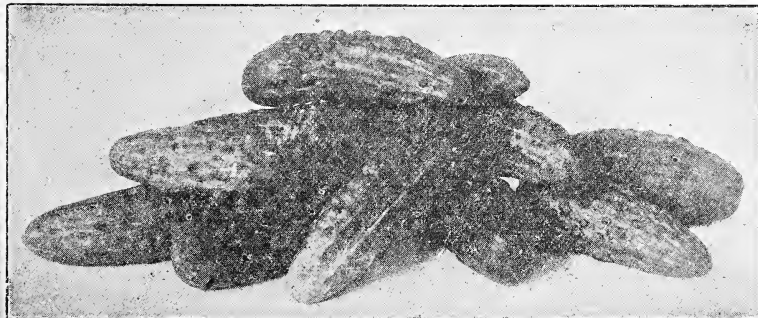
83 Chicago Pickling (68 days). 6 inches long, deep green, prominent spines. 10c 10c 30c \$1.00 \$4.50

84 Improved Long Green (65 days). 12 to 16 inches long, slender dark green, popular. 10c 15c 45c 1.25 5.75

85 Early White Spine. (55 days) 8 to 9 inches long, thick, dark green, prolific. 10c 15c 45c 1.25 5.75

86 Klondike (60 days). 8 to 10 inches, one of the best early varieties. 10c 15c 45c 1.25 5.75

87 Mixed (50 to 80 days). Early, medium and late, all shapes. 5c 10c 30c 1.00 4.50



Chicago Pickling

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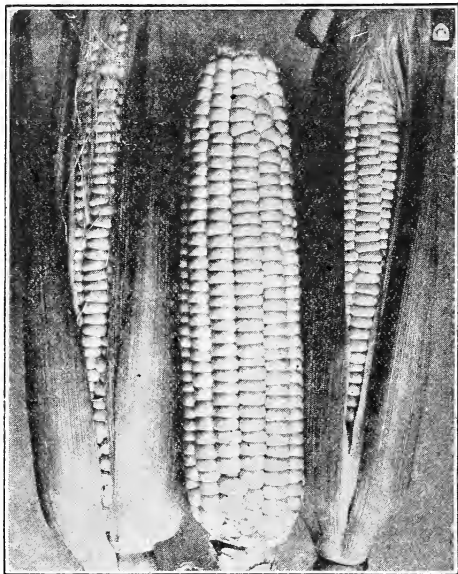
Gentlemen: Your As-
ters were wonderful,
and so were the roses.

Yours truly,
ALBERT L. MAHER,
33-49 170 St.

Pick all Cucumbers when fit for use; do not leave on vine to ripen

Northern Grown Sweet Corn

Do You Know Why Home Grown Sweet Corn Always Tastes Best?



Stowell's Evergreen

Sweet Corn is the home garden crop. Scientists say the sugar content of such a variety as Stowell's Evergreen is 5 per cent; and within thirty minutes after it has been picked, this percentage will begin to decrease through chemical action. Only the home gardener, therefore, can enjoy it at its best, this greatest of American table delicacies. Sweet Corn may be sown earlier than field corn. May 1 is usually safe in the latitude of New York and Chicago. Fertilizer will give a good start and an early harvest. A pound of Sweet Corn contains about 2,000 grains. Twelve to 16 pounds will plant an acre.

88 Golden Bantam (60 days). Golden Bantam is a dwarf growing early variety. The plants attain a height of three or four feet, usually bearing two or more ears from five to six inches long to a stalk. These ears are compactly filled with kernels which, when ready for the table, are a cream-yellow, so deliciously sweet, tender and milky that some people claim that "it is the sweetest corn on earth." Golden Bantam is suited for extra early and later plantings up to July 15th. For market and home garden. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 20c; lb., 30c; 5 lbs., \$1.40, postpaid. 10 lbs. or more by express, 20c per lb.

	By mail postpaid	Not prepaid	
	Pkt. ½ lb. lb. 5 lbs.	10 lbs or more per lb.	
89 Extra Early White Cory (60 days). Large white grains, excellent quality. A very hardy variety	10c 20c 30c \$1.40	20c	
90 Howling Mob (65 days). 7-9 inches long, pearly white, excellent quality	10c 20c 30c 1.40	18c	
91 Black Mexican (70 days). 8 inches long, very sweet, cook white, with bluish tinge	10c 20c 35c 1.50	22c	
92 Stowell's Evergreen (80 days). Best and largest late main crop .	10c 20c 30c 1.40	18c	

93 Early Mayflower (55 days). The earliest of all white real sweet varieties. How would you like to be the first one to have sweet corn on the table before anyone else in your neighborhood? You can if you plant Early Mayflower—the earliest of all white true sweet corns, barring none. The ears are surprisingly large for an early variety, averaging ten rows of the tender deliciously sweet kernels—a nice table size. The ears are about 7 inches long. A money maker for the gardener who wants to get the early high prices. We have the introducer's pure strain. Make several plantings of sweet corn to always have tender ears. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. Postage collect 20c per lb.

94 Whipples Early (60 days). Yellow Sweet Corn. This is considered by many authorities as the most remarkable development in yellow sweet corn since the introduction of Golden Bantam. Here is a variety that is just as early as Golden Bantam, in fact, some have found it to be a few days earlier and produces ears twice the size of the ordinary Bantam. Under ordinary conditions, the ears average seven to eight inches long. Very large, rounded, having twelve to sixteen rows of large kernels. In quality it is very fine, sweet and tender. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 20c; lb., 30c; 5 lbs., \$1.40, postpaid. Postage collect 20c per lb.

95 Sweet Fodder Corn There is nothing better for summer and fall green feed or for curing for winter than Sweet Corn. Being sweet and palatable, cattle eat every part of the stalks and leaves. Always a great favorite with dairy farmers, and excellent for soiling. Can be planted as either corn or sown thickly in drills or broadcast. Sow ½ bushel per acre in drills, 1 to 1½ bushels broadcast. Pkt., 10c; lb., 25c; 3 lbs., 60c, postpaid. By express 10 lbs. or more, 15c per lb.

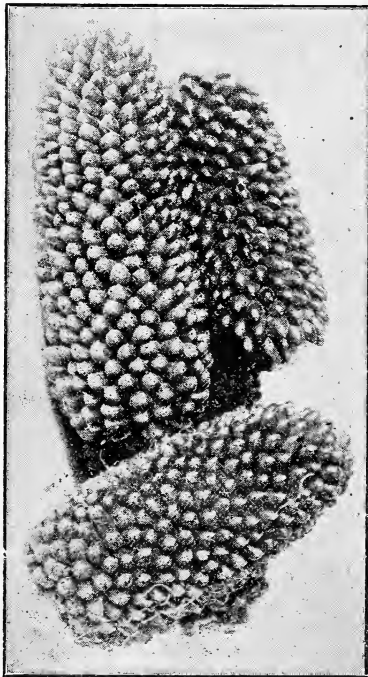
POPCORN

96 Queen's Golden

The Largest of all Grains. This surpasses all others in size and color. It pops perfectly white, expanding nearly one inch. Matures in about 130 days. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50; postpaid. By express 23c per lb.

97 New Tom Thumb

Known as Japanese Hui-less and Dwarf Baby Rice. Is a heavy yielder of attractive ears. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express 23c per lb.



Tom Thumb

Onion Seed

MORE DOLLARS worth of onions can be grown on an acre than any other crop. They are most suited to produce big crops under intensive cultivation. The small grower has the same chance as the big grower, and many a housewife has made pin money and more from onions.

THE SEED is all important—many poor strains of onion seed are on the market. They will grow onions—but all sorts and sizes. Buy your seed from a reliable firm. We call your attention to the large and increasing number of Market Gardeners who buy our Onion seed every year.

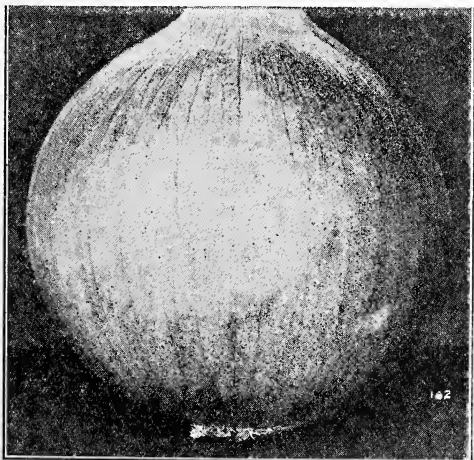
CULTURE.—Be very careful about preparing the soil. It should be well pulverized and smooth. The richer the soil, the bigger the crop will be. Sow the seed as early as the ground can be worked in rows 12 to 15 inches apart, covering one-half inch deep. When plants are up cultivate thoroughly, keep free from weeds and thin to one inch apart in the row. One ounce will sow about 150 feet of drill; 4 to 5 pounds per acre. For sets sow 50-60 lbs. per acre.

98 Ransom's Selected Ohio Yellow Globe

(120 days). The finest, largest and best onion of the yellow sorts. Form globular, of a beautiful golden yellow color, mild flavor, large size and an excellent keeper. Will yield 800 bushels to the acre. Seeds are all grown from selected bulbs. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., \$1.00; lb., \$3.50; 5 lbs., \$15.00, postpaid.

99 Mammoth Silver King The earliest giant white Onion (80 days). Of an attractive shape, flattened, but thick through; the largest white Onion, often 4 to 5 inches across. The skin and flesh are beautiful, silvery white, tender and remarkably mild; in fact, so sweet that it may be eaten raw like an apple. An excellent keeper. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50; 5 lbs., \$12.00, postpaid.

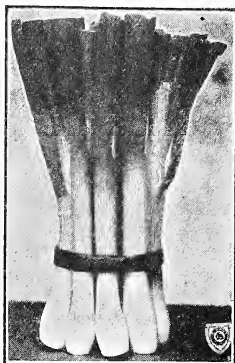
100 Prizetaker The largest, most productive, mild flavored yellow globe Onion in existence. (100 days) Prizetaker is by far the handsomest, most productive, most popular, the largest, finest flavored and the best yellow globe Onion under cultivation for either the home garden or market. It is a bright, clear straw color, and always grows to a uniform shape, which is a perfect globe. It has a very small neck, and ripens up firm and solid. In market it never fails to attract attention on account of its beauty, and is sure to bring a better price than any other Onion. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 65c; lb., \$2.50; 5 lbs., \$12.00, postpaid.



Ohio Yellow Globe

101 Extra Large Red Wethersfield

(100 days) Persistent selections of bulbs planted for seed have given us a small-necked, sure-ripening strain entirely free from scullions. Though well flattened, the solid onions are thick through. The outer skin is a deep, rich, purplish-red, smooth and glossy; flesh white, lightly tinged with pinkish rose. The magnificent, large, solid onions are nearly as mild in flavor as many varieties with skin of lighter coloring. Its splendid keeping qualities make it easy to hold crops for late winter markets. Standard red onion in the Northwest. Marketable onions in 125 days. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 60c; lb., \$2.25; 5 lbs., \$10.00, postpaid.



Early White Welsh

102 Early White Sugar Ball (70 days). The quickest Onion from seed. Very mild and sweet. For years there has been an inquiry for an extremely early onion to be sold in the green state in bunches. Early White Sugar Ball will fill the bill completely. There is no onion seed known that will produce an onion one inch or more in diameter than this. This is the finest and earliest of all the White Onions, and is especially adapted for early bunch onions and for pickling. It is so sweet and mild flavored we have named it "Sugar Ball." It ripens so quickly as to surprise all who grow it for the first time. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., 90c; lb., \$3.00; 5 lbs., \$13.75, postpaid.

103 Early White Welsh (90 days). The best kind for green onions; it forms no bulbs. A very hardy, perennial variety of onions used only for bunching or for early green onions. The shoots attain marketable size very quickly and sell at top prices before the green onions grown from sets are brought to the market. Much superior to the Egyptian onion. Sow seed thinly in rows 12 to 16 inches apart. Seed may be sown in late summer or late fall months for early spring onions. Market gardeners will find the White Welsh Onion an exceedingly profitable crop. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 80c; lb., \$2.75, prepaid.

104 Onion Mixture All who sow a small quantity of onion seed in a garden for home use will do well to order this mixture. We have included all the early, medium and late sorts, which will produce an abundance of onions of all colors, shapes and sizes, many being giants. Wonderful results have been obtained from this great mixture. Pkt., 5c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

Euclid, Pa., March 17, 1916.

Gentlemen: Please send me your garden seed catalog for 1926. I got some seeds of you in 1925 and they were very satisfactory. I like seeds that grow. Please send catalog soon as possible, too.

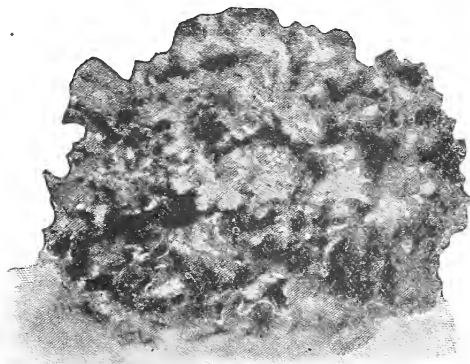
MRS. BELLE M. BROWN, R. 1.

Jeannette, Pa., March 9, 1926.

Gentlemen: This is the second year in succession I have ordered from your firm goods for over \$10.00; both orders would make about \$26.00. And as soon as I received your catalog this year I gave one to Mr. P. Lytwak, R. 1, Jeannette, Pa., and he told me he has received his order from you already. Your goods are all right.

Yours truly,
THEO WALCHIK.

Superior Lettuce



Black Seeded Simpson

CULTURE.—To have the best Lettuce, it should be kept growing rapidly. A light rich soil will do this. Then give plenty of sunlight and moisture. For the earliest, start seed in cold-frame in fall and protect through the winter, or start in hot-bed in February or March. Transplant to open as soon as ground can be worked. For later use sow seed in open ground when season will permit, in rows a foot apart.

For a succession, plant every two or three weeks after that, selecting the right varieties. Thin plants in the row to four to six inches, depending on the variety. For best head Lettuce, give plants plenty of room and tie the loose outer leaves of the large sorts around the head.

To control soft rot of Head Lettuce spray diseased plants with a solution of 1 pint Formaldehyde to 30 gallons water.

One ounce will sow 125 feet of drill and produce 3,000 plants. 4 lbs. to the acre.

105 Black-Seeded Simpson Lettuce The best of the loose-leaved varieties. (40 days.) Attractive, light yellowish-green leaves, the inner ones being almost white, crumpled and blistered, heavily frilled on the edges. Quality is fine; remains long in edible condition. One of the easiest grown, succeeding everywhere and always reliable. The most popular large, early, loose-heading variety; good for early summer or fall culture. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50; 5 lbs., \$6.00, postpaid.

Bucyrus, O., Feb. 8, 1926.

Gentlemen: I want to write and tell you I feel very thankful to have found a seed house that is so reasonable in prices, and such good and dependable seeds, bulbs and plants which I have ordered from you. If I should receive two catalogs this year I shall pass the extra one on to one of my friends with my recommendations.

Yours truly,
MRS. Z. A. AHLEFELD.
1056 Marion Rd.

Martinsburg, Mo., Apr. 2, 1926.

Gentlemen: Received the 100 strawberry plants yesterday afternoon. Planted them today under 6 inches of snow. Covered them with snow after planting. If weather turns warm I think they will grow all right. They seem to be very fine stock.

Yours truly,
C. C. CHRISMAN.

106 Big Boston Lettuce Highly recommended for both private and market gardeners (45 days). Heads are large, compact; leaves broad, almost smooth, with wavy edges, crisp and tender. Bright light green, slightly tinged with reddish brown, the inner leaves blanch greenish-white, tinged yellow; of excellent quality and delicate flavor. The most satisfactory head Lettuce whether grown in the open ground for early summer and fall use or in frames for use in early spring or for forcing in the greenhouse during the winter. Extensively grown for market and home use. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50; 5 lbs., \$6.00, postpaid.

LETTUCE

By mail, postpaid
Pkt. oz. ¼ lb. lb. 5 lbs.

107 Grand Rapids (38 days). Loose leaved. Bright green, crumpled, heavily fringed .. 10c 15c 45c \$1.50 \$6.00

108 New York or Wonderful (55 days). The largest head lettuce, dark green, heat resistant 10c 25c 75c 2.50 10.00

109 Wayahead (40 days). Earliest head lettuce, medium green, crisp 10c 20c 60c 2.00 8.00

110 Mixed Lettuce All kinds mixed. If not sown too thickly, will make a continuous crop. Our mixture includes the best early and late varieties, of curly leaf as well as head lettuce. Fine for the home garden. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 30c; lb., 90c., postpaid.

Berwyn, Ill., Feb. 15, 1926.

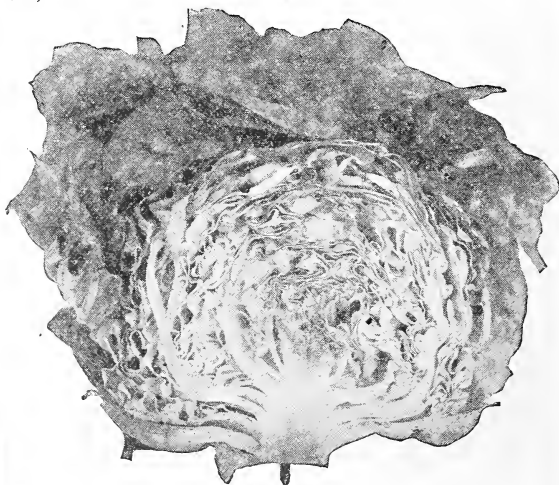
Ransom Seed & N. Co., Geneva, O.

Gentlemen: I am enclosing a small order for seeds, accompanied by check in payment for same. Please mail soon as convenient.

As I am an old Western Reserve boy, there is a little sentiment attached in receiving seeds from the old home county, besides I naturally expect Ohio quality in results attained from your seeds.

The 50 Japanese Barberry plants from you last summer were certainly splendidly rooted and are all doing exceptionally well.

Sincerely yours,
SIDNEY V. STREATOR.
1640 So. Cuyler Ave.



Big Boston

GROW ROOT CROPS FOR WINTER USE

Green Fleshed

MUSKMELONS

Yellow Fleshed

CULTURE.—Muskmelons or Cantaloupes like a warm rich soil quite sandy. Plant seed in hills 4 to 6 feet apart each way, 8 or 10 seeds in a hill, and when danger of insects is past, thin to 3 or 4 plants. Well rotted manure or other fertilizer previously mixed in the soil of a hill is a great help. The quality of the Melons depends on good conditions of growth. Give shallow cultivation until vines cover ground, and pinch off the ends of growing shoots.

For melon beetles dust the plants with lime or ashes mixed with fine road dust. For the Melon lice, use "Black Leaf 40"; to kill bugs, dust with "Slug Shot." A few hills of early fruit may be had by sowing seed in hothed on pieces of sod or in pots and transplanting.

ONE OUNCE OF SEED FOR 60 HILLS; 2 POUNDS TO 3 POUNDS PER ACRE.

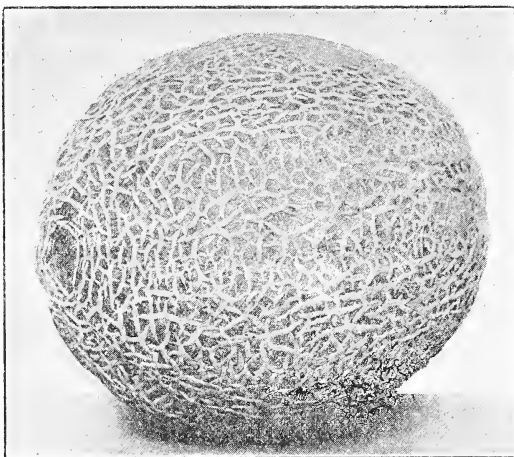
111 Rocky Ford (70 days). Nearly every leading hotel and restaurant in America uses large quantities of this famous melon, which is just the right size to serve in halves. The ripe melons are beautifully netted and ribbed. Solid green flesh, sweet and melting. We offer a splendid strain of seed of this fine melon, grown for us at Rocky Ford, Colo., saved from specimens that were especially selected for seed purposes. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25; 5 lbs., \$5.75, postpaid.

112 Famous Melon "Honey Dew"

(100 days). The Melon is nearly white, turning to a lemon-yellow when ripening. Surface is absolutely smooth. When cut open revealing the crisp, green flesh, the contrast of colors is beautiful. Indescribably sweet, with a distinctive delightful aromatic flavor. Fruits are a nice size, weighing 8 to 10 pounds; flesh is very thick, so that there is a great deal that is edible on each Melon. The name Honey Dew well describes it. Sweet as drops of honey. Ripens rather late. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 50c; lb., \$1.75; 5 lbs., \$8.25, postpaid.

113 Emerald Gem (80 days). Well known and has long been acknowledged the most delicious in flavor. It is one of the earliest to ripen and while too soft to stand shipping, it is unequalled for home use or nearby markets. Vines of strong, vigorous growth and very prolific. The melons average from four to five inches in diameter. The skin is a rich, deep emerald-green. Flesh is very thick, with thin rind and small seed cavity, crystalline in appearance, and of a rich salmon color. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50; 5 lbs., \$6.25, postpaid.

114 Osage (75 days). (Miller's Cream.) A favorite salmon-fleshed variety. Large, oval, slightly ribbed and netted; skin is very dark green. Flesh is very thick and sweet flavored, most delicious to the rind. The whole crop is very even and



Rocky Ford

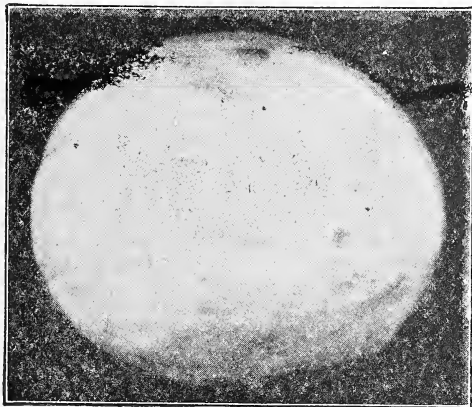
fruit extra heavy. A great favorite for market purposes and home garden. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50; 5 lbs., \$6.25, postpaid.

115 Extra Early Osage (68 days). This melon is of splendid quality; it is fully a week earlier than the Osage, the fruit is more nearly round and more heavily netted. Thick salmon flesh, small seed cavity, delicious flavor. We consider it one of the finest melons offered, and advise all who plant melons to try it. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50; 5 lbs., \$6.25, postpaid.

116 Tip Top This wonderfully fine melon should be planted by all melon growers. It always pleases. The testimony of all who use Tip Top is that every melon produced, whether big or little, early or late, is a good one; sweet, juicy, finest flavor, firm-fleshed and eatable to the outside coating. Its appearance on the market is very attractive—sells on sight. The fruits are of large size, nearly round, evenly ribbed and moderately netted. Flesh rich deep salmon, sweet and spicy. Ripe fruits in 90 days. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25; 5 lbs., \$5.75, postpaid.

117 Banana (85 days). This melon surpasses all others in its delicious fragrance. The flesh (the melon being nearly solid) is of a rich salmon. The quality is first-rate when the melon is thoroughly ripe. It grows from 20 to 28 inches in length and is very prolific. By many this melon is considered of superb quality; it is essentially a home garden variety. Plant some for your county fair exhibit this year. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 50c; lb., \$1.75, postpaid.

118 Mixed Muskmelons This is a splendid mixture of green, orange, and salmon-fleshed varieties, maturing from the very earliest to the late varieties. By planting this mixture one is sure to produce some melons that are suited to their climate. Excellent assortment for the home garden. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 30c; lb., 90c, postpaid.

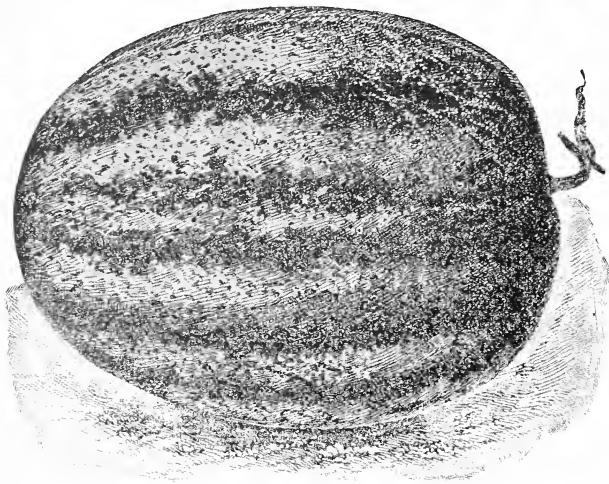


Honey Dew

Belmont, N. Y., Apr. 21, 1926.
Dear Sirs: Have been looking for your catalog this spring but did not get any so am sending my order from last year's catalog. We got some seed from you last year and it was very good. So please find check for these seeds, and send as soon as you can.

Yours truly,
FRANK D. TOTH, R. D. 4.

Water Melon



Cole Early

CULTURE.—The best soil for growing these tempting, luscious products of the field, is sand; but well drained loam if sun-warmed, will produce excellent crops. Plant in hills eight feet apart each way, using a shovelful of well rotted manure in each hill, thin to six plants to hill; after all danger of bugs is past, further thin to four plants. Do not plant melon seeds until the ground is thoroughly warmed. Use "Slug Shot" for bugs. One ounce plants 20 to 40 hills or four pounds for one acre.

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119 Sweet Heart (90 days). Our strain is a grand, sweet-hearted kind for home and market use. Vine vigorous and productive, ripening its fruit early. Fruit large, oval, very light green, slightly mottled. Flesh bright red, firm, crisp, melting and exceedingly sweet. A good shipper. Matures in 75 days. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 30c; lb., \$1.00, 5 lbs., \$4.00, postpaid.

120 Tom Watson (90 days). One of the most popular of all Melons. Very largely grown for market. A long green variety of large size, and very heavy; flesh bright red and of excellent quality. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 35c; lb., \$1.00; 5 lbs., \$4.00, postpaid.

121 Halbert's Honey (85 days). One of the finest melons for the home garden, of superb luscious quality. Medium large, oval. Dark glossy green; flesh bright crimson. Very tender and sweet. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.25; 5 lbs., \$5.75, postpaid.

122 Cole's Extra Early (65 days). Decidedly the finest variety for the home garden in the North. Very hardy and productive, of medium size and nearly round. Skin mottled dark and light green; flesh dark red, of granulated sparkling appearance, very sweet. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.15; 5 lbs., \$5.00, postpaid.

123 Citron (Red Seeded). (100 days). The citron makes delicious preserves. They are easy to grow, keep well in storage. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 35c; lb., \$1.00; 5 lbs., \$4.75, postpaid.

124 Kleckley's Sweets (85 days). A general favorite with all lovers of sweet and luscious melons, and cannot be too highly recommended for either private gardens or for near markets; is oblong, of good size, skin dark, rich green, thin and brittle, flesh bright scarlet, crisp, sugary and melting. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.25; 5 lbs., \$5.75, postpaid.

125 New Irish Gray (85 days). Irish Gray has size, quality and appearance. A wonderful market and shipping melon. The size of this Melon is uniformly large; it closely resembles Kleckley's Sweet, except in color, which is a yellowish gray. The vine is very vigorous and holds up well, producing fruit until late in the season. It is a splendid Melon for the home garden on account of the superior quality and fine appearance. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25; 5 lbs., \$5.00, postpaid.

126 Watermelon Mixture Comprises all varieties we list. Early, Medium Early, Medium Late and Late. For a small garden, it makes an ideal planting arrangement for a continuous succession of summer's supply. Only seed of the highest type taken from stocks of our named varieties are used. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 75c, postpaid.

PUMPKINS

127 Small Sweet, or Sugar (65 days). This is the small, sweet Pumpkin that has made the New England States famous for their Pumpkin pies. It is a very fine-grained, most deliciously sweet-flavored sort. Splendid keeper. They average about 10 inches in diameter of deep orange-yellow color. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 90c, postpaid.

128 Jumbo, or King of the Mammoths (100 days). The giant among pumpkins; specimens have been grown to weigh 250 lbs., reaching two feet or more in diameter. Fruit round and flattened, slightly ribbed; skin salmon orange, flesh bright yellow and very thick. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

129 Common Yellow Field (65 days). Yankee Cow or Connecticut Field. The common Yellow Field Pumpkin so very largely cultivated by farmers for stock-feeding, and used some for canning; very productive. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 75c, postpaid.

130 Ransom's Surprise Mixture (65-100 days). This is a special mixture containing a wonderful collection of the different kinds of pumpkins, many we do not offer separately. You can grow a great lot of pumpkins of all the odd-shaped and mammoth-sized if you plant a little of this seed. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 75c, postpaid.

Morris, Ill., Apr. 12, 1926.

Gentlemen: Please ship at once 6 more Concord grape vines. I bought some before of you and they did fine. Hoping to hear from you at once.

Yours truly,
CHARLES E. FRALEY,
604 West Ave.

Johnstown, Pa., Jan. 24, 1926.

Dear Sirs: Dropping you a few lines to let you know about last year's order. The strawberries are growing very fine and so is Hydrangea P. G. Now for the year 1926, we want the following. The money for this order will be given to the mail man when I receive this order. I would like it about the 10th of March.

Yours very truly,
ANDREW P. SALAMON,
5 Millard Ave.

Tender, Sugary Peas

Northern-Grown Hand Picked

CULTURE.—You will have the best results with early peas on light warm soil—but the main crop will do better on a fairly heavy soil that will retain moisture. Avoid too much nitrogen fertilizer such as fresh manure—as that causes heavy vine growth at expense of pods. A plot prepared the fall before is best.

Sow the extra early kinds as soon as ground can be worked, in rows 2-3 inches deep and 2½-3½ feet apart, and for succession every two weeks until June 15th. The very earliest varieties, planted in August, will often give a good fall crop.

One pound of seed to 50 feet of row; 120 to 180 pounds per acre. Smooth seeded Peas weigh 60 pounds to the bushel; wrinkled seed, 56 pounds per bushel.

EXTRA EARLY GARDEN PEAS

131 Extra Early Alaska OR **EARLIEST OF ALL** (45 days). The hardest of the extra-early varieties. Very productive. Peas smooth, bluish green, very fair quality. More extensively grown for early market than any other variety. Height 2 feet. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express, 25c per lb.

132 Nott's Excelsior (52 days). The earliest dwarf wrinkled pea. A very fine, highly bred variety of sturdy, compact, dwarf growth, 18 to 20 inches high. Pods chock-full of large luscious peas of unusually sweet flavor. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express, 25c per lb.

133 Thomas Laxton (52 days). The best quality and heaviest yielding of all early tall peas—only 10 days later than Alaska, vines 2½ ft. tall. Pods long, broad, handsome, packed full of deliciously sweet peas. You can pick enough for a nice meal in short order. Outyields the old favorite Gradus fully 25 per cent. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 25c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75, postpaid. By express, 27c per lb.

134 Little Marvel (53 days). A new dwarf first-early pea of unusual value. But recently on the market. The demand among market gardeners for this variety is already enormous. The vines average 15 inches in height, and the pods 2½ inches in length, frequently borne in pairs. The pods contain from 6 to 7 large dark green peas which remain in good eatable shape a week later than most other varieties. This variety is as early as Nott's Excelsior or American Wonder, but produces a much larger pod. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express, 25c per lb.

135 Laxtonian (55 days). **THE DWARF GRADUS OR BLUE BANTAM.** A New Large Podded Dwarf Pea. Grows 16 to 18 inches high. The tall, extra early, Gradus Pea, with its large, telephone-like pods and its exquisitely flavored peas, is one of the most popular of all peas. In Laxtonian we have a dwarf type of the Gradus with the same large pods—almost the same in season, and, moreover, requiring no support—and the same superlative quality peas. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 25c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75, postpaid. By express, 30c per lb.

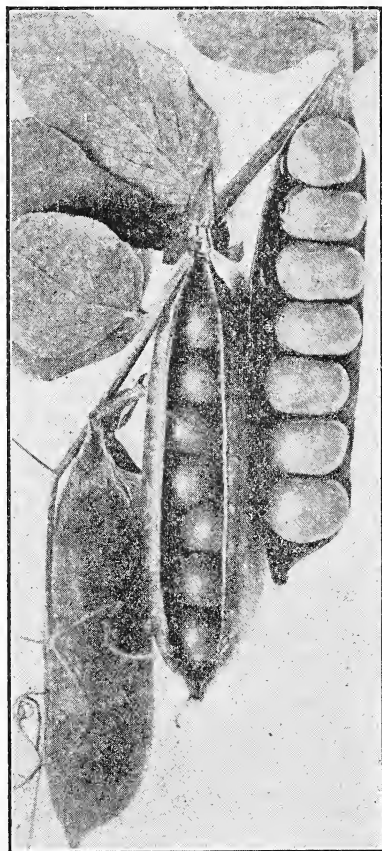
MAIN CROP PEAS

136 Alderman (Admiral Dewey) (70 days) Superior Quality Late Pea for Market and Home Garden.

Height about 4½ feet. This fine new Pea is of the Telephone type, excepting that the pods are of darker color. Growth is strong, robust and exceedingly productive. Peas are of large size and unsurpassed in quality. We highly recommend it to market gardeners as a splendid yielder of very large and attractive, straight pods. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 25c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75, postpaid. By express, 27c per lb.

137 Improved Stratagem (68 days). A Very Fine Main Crop Dwarf Pea. Height about 20 inches. By many considered the highest quality of all Peas. Vine is very robust, with large foliage. Requires no support.

The pods are long, dark green in color and packed with immense Peas of delicious sweetness. Pods are borne in clusters near the top of the vine. Fine for market, also for home gardens because of the long picking season. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 25c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75, postpaid. By express, 30c per lb.



Stratagem



Everyone who plants the above legumes should inoculate the seed for best results.

GARDEN SIZE 20 CENTS,
Postpaid

COMBINATION for Peas,
Sweet Peas, Garden and
Lima Beans

Holley, N. Y., Sept., 20th, 1926.

Ransom Seed & N. Co., Geneva, O.

Gentlemen: Please give me your lowest price for 100 Montmorency cherry trees. In March, 1925, I bought 200 peach trees from you and planted them on my farm at Zanesville, Ohio. 195 of them grew. I sold the Zanesville farm, and the trees looked well when the place was sold.

Yours truly,

HENRY MICHELL, R. D. No. 1.

SPINACH

CULTURE.—Select very rich, well drained soil; sow in drills one foot apart and one inch deep; or broadcast at rate of thirty pounds per acre. Make the first sowing early in spring and continue at intervals of two or three weeks, until the middle of June. Sow in August and September for early spring use, protecting with a winter covering of straw. One oz. will sow 100 feet of drill; or ten to twelve pounds to the acre.

138 Bloomsdale or Savoy Leaved Spinach

The best for early spring and fall planting (40 days). Also called Norfolk Savoy Leaved. Very early and hardy; a favorite with home and market gardeners. Plant is of upright growth, has thick, dark green, broad, crumpled leaves. One of the best Spinaches to plant in the autumn for fall or early spring use. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 20c; lb., 50c; 5 lbs., \$2.25, postpaid.

KING OF DENMARK SPINACH. See Page 5

139 New Zealand The Ideal Home Garden Sort.

(50 days). The Everbearing Variety.—The most remarkable Spinach ever introduced. This variety planted under the same conditions and right next to other varieties will withstand the summer heat and keep on bearing luscious green shoots and leaves for weeks after the others have gone to seed. It will make fine Spinach greens possible in your garden all summer and fall. Plant in spring, when ground is warm, in hills 18 inches apart each way, 4 to 6 seeds to the hill, thin out later. Soak seed in lukewarm water for 12 hours before planting. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 35c; lb., \$1.00, postpaid.

140 Ransom's New Long Season

(50 days). Also called Triumph—The best variety to sow in spring and also continuously all summer, as it remains firm and fresh during the hot summer months. Plants are comparatively small, of compact but prostrate growth. The leaves are thicker and heavier than those of any other sort; they are heavily crumpled and blistered, of dark green color, and do not wilt or run to seed as quickly as any other kind. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 20c; lb., 50c; 5 lbs., \$2.25, postpaid.

SQUASH

Plant after weather has become firmly settled and the ground is warm and dry, in hills 5 to 6 feet apart for bush varieties, and 6 to 8 feet apart for running varieties. Hills should be thoroughly manured. Slightly elevate the hills and place seven or eight seeds in each, finally leaving but three plants. Press the seeds down firmly before covering, and cover early planted ones 1 inch deep, and late ones 1½ inches. One ounce will plant 25 hills; 4 to 6 pounds for an acre.

141 Giant Summer Crookneck (45 days). The best known early Bush Squash. Skin and flesh deep golden yellow. Very productive and fine quality. A general favorite. Fruits often 2 ft. long. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

142 Improved Hubbard Squash The acknowledged standard of quality (65 days). The flesh is of a rich yellow or orange color, very fine grained, solid, dry and richly flavored. The toughness of the dark olive green rind or shell makes it a good winter keeper. Fruits are large, heavy and moderately warted. A long keeper and can be held in good condition until spring. More people in more places plant the Hub-

bard Squash than any other sort; it is the American favorite. It outsells all other varieties in winter in the great Eastern markets. It is an especial favorite in New York and New England, but reaches perfection everywhere. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 50c; lb., \$1.50; 5 lbs., \$7.00, postpaid.

143 Delicata (70 days). Early and very prolific; of oblong shape. Ground color orange yellow, splashed and striped with very deep green. Although of small size, the squashes are very solid and heavy, while the quality is rich and dry. An excellent "all season" squash. Pkt., 5c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50; 5 lbs., \$6.00, postpaid.

144 Delicious (75 days). An early winter variety of medium size, preferred by some to the Hubbard. Dark green, shell moderately hard but very thin. Flesh thick, fine grained and bright yellow. Fruits a little smaller than Hubbard, weighing from 5 to 10 pounds each. Ideal home garden Squash and much used for pies. Fine flavor. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

145 Squash Mixture Many desire to raise all the different varieties. We have therefore included in this mixture all the early and late sorts, which will produce squashes of all the different shapes, colors and sizes imaginable, and is a profitable collection to grow by all those who have a limited space. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 35c; ½ lb., 60c; lb., \$1.00, postpaid.

DES MOINES SQUASH—See Page 5

SALSIFY, OR VEGETABLE OYSTER

Salsify will grow in any good garden soil. Sow as early as the ground can be worked, in drills 1 foot apart, 1 inch deep, and thin out to 6 inches in the row. Use an ounce of seed to a 60-foot row; keep the plants free from weeds. A part of the crop may be left in the ground till spring, when it will be found fresh and plump.

146 Mammoth Sandwich Island

(90 days). This is the largest and most profitable Salsify now in cultivation. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50, postpaid.



New Zealand Spinach

Cornwell Heights, Pa., May 3, 1926.

Gentlemen: The asparagus roots just received, all in fine condition. My father says they are the finest plants he ever saw, and well packed.

Very truly yours,
MISS CLARA WILOMAN.

Forest Hills, L.I., N.Y.

March 23, 1926.

Gentlemen: Please send us 25 more Japanese Barberry. The others you sent are very fine.

Yours very truly,
C. WOHLPART.



G. S. Crookneck Squash

PURE BRED

TOMATOES

SELECTED

Northern Grown—Hardy—Free from Blight

Tomatoes do best in warm, moderately rich soil. Sow seeds early in March in hot bed or house, in shallow boxes. About May 15 to 20 in this latitude the plants should be set out in the open ground, in rows four feet apart each way. All seeds we offer are from critically selected specimens of fruit and should prove of the greatest value to the planter. One ounce will produce about 2,000 plants. When tomato seed is offered real cheap the chances are it comes from the canneries. Why take chances for a few cents?

147 The Norton A fine smooth fancy tomato very similar to New Stone. Recommended by the U. S. government, as being blight and wilt resisting. Proved to be remarkably productive in our trials. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 30c; oz., 50c, postpaid.

148 New Stone (120 days). "King of the Reds." The standard main-crop variety. The fruit is of uniformly large size, smooth, very solid, and of best table quality. Fine for canning. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., 85c; lb., \$3.00, postpaid.

149 New John Baer (85 days). Extra early. Medium large beautiful brilliant red, solid, excellent quality, and enormously productive. We believe it worth a trial. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., 85c; lb., \$3.00, postpaid.

150 Early Acme (100 days). A popular purple or pink variety. Medium early, good size, uniformly solid and smooth. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., 85c; lb., \$3.00, postpaid.

151 Bonny Best (88 days). A fine early tomato of medium size. They are of bright scarlet color, always smooth and of remarkably uniform size and shape. An elegant sort for market and shipping. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., 85c; lb., \$3.00, postpaid.

152 Earliana (85 days). A Very Popular Extra Early Red. Also known as Sparks' Earliana. Our strain of this popular variety shows few, if any, of the rough fruits found in numerous quantities in other early sorts. Plants are of compact growth with stout-jointed branches. Yields well and the fruit is solid and of fine quality; bright red in

color, of good size. Ready for market in 90 days. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., 85c; lb., \$3.00, postpaid.

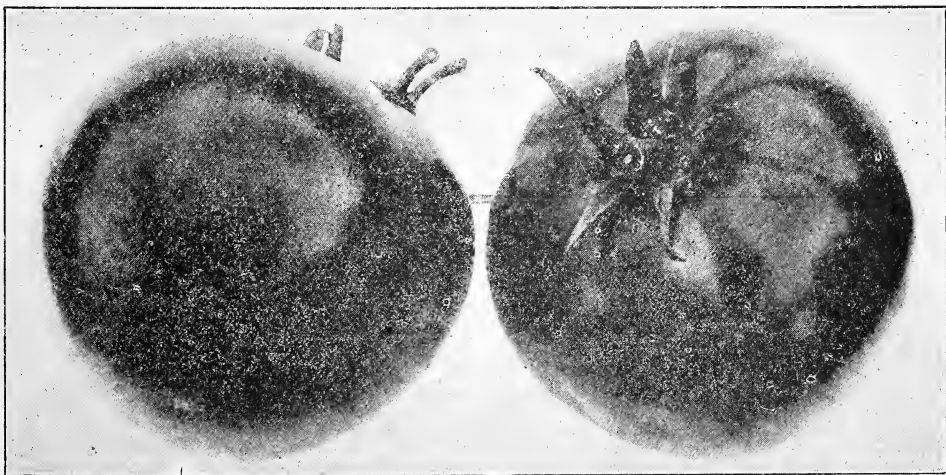
153 Ponderosa (120 days). This variety is very popular in many sections of the country. The vines are of strong growth and produce large clusters of beautiful tomatoes. Fruit is deep purple in color, of immense size, very meaty and solid with small seed cells, and produce continuously until frost. A good tomato for the home garden beginning to ripen in 110 to 120 days. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 30c; oz., 50c; ¼ lb., \$1.50; lb., \$5.00, postpaid.

154 Enormous (110 days). Also Called Crimson Cushion or Beefsteak. The fruit grows very large and very smooth, with solid meat and few seeds. It is oval in shape, rather than round, like "Stone." It is very solid and keeps well on the vines after ripening; has rather few seeds and ripens all over and through at one time. The color is a clear, deep red. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 30c; oz., 50c; ¼ lb., \$1.50; lb., \$5.00, postpaid.

155 Golden Queen (95 days). A very perfect and improved strain of the Golden Trophy. Sweet and very nice to eat from the hand. It is early and smooth; excellent for preserves and slicing for the table, and will contrast so nicely together with the red sorts. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 25c; oz., 40c; ¼ lb., \$1.10; lb., \$4.00, postpaid.

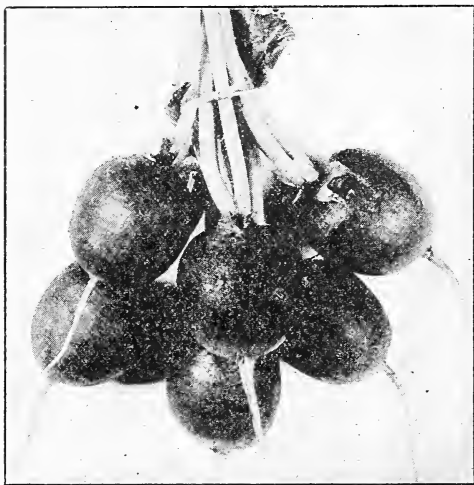
156 Fancy Preserving Mixed An interesting packet comprising a mixture of the different small fruited varieties such as Red and Yellow, Pear, Plum, Peach and Cherry. These varieties are all unusually sweet, rich flavor and excellent for preserves. May also be dried in the sun and packed in sugar thus making an excellent substitute for figs. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; postpaid.

157 All Kinds of Tomatoes in Mixture This mixture is made up of all the different varieties of tomatoes we offer. From the very earliest to the latest sorts of the different colors, shapes, and sizes will be produced. A very interesting collection and will prove a real curiosity, maturing ripe fruits from about 80 to 130 days. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 35c, postpaid.



Earliana

Superior Quality Seed Radishes



Scarlet Globe

CULTURE.—One ounce will sow 100 feet of drill, ten pounds required for one acre. For the first crop sow as early in the spring as the ground can be worked, and every two weeks throughout the season for a succession. A warm, sandy loam, made rich and light by some good strong manure, will be most likely to afford them brittle and free from worms. Sow in drills 10 to 12 inches apart. The winter varieties should be sown in July and August.

By mail, postpaid

	Pkt.	oz.	¼ lb.	lb.	5 lbs.
158 Crimson Giant (28 days). Extremely large deep crimson, round, crisp	10c	15c	35c	\$1.00	\$4.00
159 Early Scarlet Globe (20 days). Popular for forcing or outdoor culture	10c	15c	35c	1.00	4.00
160 Long White Icicle (20 days). 5 to 6 inches long, crisp, brittle	10c	20c	45c	1.35	5.00
161 French Breakfast (18 days) Rose scarlet, small white tip, oblong shape	10c	15c	35c	1.00	4.00
162 Winter Radishes. Contains several varieties such as China Rose, White China, Celestial, and Black Spanish	5c	10c	25c	.75	3.00
163 Mixture (18 to 50 days). All kinds, colors and shapes	5c	10c	25c	.75	3.00

PEPPERS

CULTURE.—Peppers like a light, rich, warm soil for best results. They require about same treatment as tomatoes. Sow seed in hothed early in April and transplant to open ground when weather is settled—or start seed outside after all danger of frost is past. One ounce is sufficient for about 1,500 plants, ¼ pound to transplant one acre.



Ruby King

164 Ransom's Improved Ruby King

Pepper The standard Sweet Pepper for home and market (130 days). Fruits pendent, bright, ruby-

red, about 5 to 6 inches long by 3 to 4 inches in diameter; flesh is very thick, sweet and so mild it is often sliced for a salad; also fine for stuffing. We have furnished this seed to tens of thousands of gardeners with the most satisfactory results, and our strain of this splendid stock is now noted for perfection of form, large size, brilliancy of color, and sweet, mild flavor. The leader of the sweet red sorts; one of the most satisfactory for home or market. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 25c; oz., 45c; ¼ lb., \$1.25; lb., \$4.50; 5 lbs., \$20.00, postpaid.

CHINESE GIANT. See Page 5

By mail, postpaid

Pkt. ½ oz. oz. ¼ lb. lb.

165 Large Bell or Bull Nose (120 days). 3 inches long, 2 inches across, blunt, ended, mild. 10c 20c 35c \$1.15 \$4.00	
166 Long Red Cayenne (125 days). Conical shaped, bright red, hot and pungent 10c 20c 35c 1.15 4.00	
167 Golden Queen (125 days). The largest and best sweet golden yellow Pepper 10c 30c 50c 1.40 5.00	

168 Pepper Mixture Contains all the different varieties of Peppers and will produce a great display of the different colors, shapes and sizes to be found among peppers. Pkt., 5c; ½ oz., 25c; oz., 40c.

TURNIP

One ounce of seed sows 100 feet of drill; one pound will plant an acre.

169 Purple-Top Strap-Leaf Most extensively used of the flat Turnips. White skin and flesh, with purplish top. Quite early and very sweet and tender. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 30c; lb., 85c, postpaid.

170 Golden Ball or Orange Jelly (70 days) Fine Yellow Flesh Table Turnip. A distinct yellow Turnip that is grown extensively for home consumption on account of its fine quality. The flesh is of a very fine texture. Its beautiful color and fine flesh have earned for it the synonym of "Orange Jelly." The bulb is of medium size, small tap root. Ready in 65 days. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 30c; lb., 80c, postpaid.

171 Purple Top White Globe (70 days). A fine table turnip. It is an early and heavy cropper, as well as a good keeper. The bulb is very handsome globe, and is especially suitable for the home garden. This is also a good turnip for stock feed, as it will grow to a large size if left for that purpose. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 75c, postpaid.

172 Turnip Mixture This splendid mixture contains all the leading varieties in early Turnips, Rutabagas and Swedes; all early and late sorts, and by sowing this seed a continuous supply may be had throughout the season. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 80c, postpaid.

RUTABAGAS OR SWEDES

Rutabagas require a longer season for maturing than Turnips, hence should be sown earlier, about the middle of June.

173 Improved American Purple-Top

The best and heaviest cropping sort. It is of globe shape with a rich purple top and light yellow below the ground. The quality is fine; very tender, and without the stringy nature common in some sorts. A valuable stock-food and is used as a table variety by many. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 85c, postpaid.



White Globe Turnip

Miscellaneous Vegetables

BRUSSELS SPROUTS

Brussels Sprouts are miniature cabbages formed on a plant stalk. The delicate flavor is improved by a touch of frost. The culture is practically the same as for cabbage. For late use sow seed in June.

174 Improved Danish

Hardy and a heavy yielder. A fine variety originated and

Pkt., 10c; oz., 40c; ¼ lb., \$1.10;

grown in Denmark. lb., \$3.50, postpaid.

BROCCOLI

A vegetable similar to Cauliflower, of less delicate flavor, but hardier. Of value in northern latitudes, where Cauliflower does not do well.

175 Early White Cape

This vegetable resembles cauliflower, but is much hardier. Start in the house or hotbed, very early, and transplant to open ground. Pkt., 10c; oz., 50c; ¼ lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

176 Collards

True Southern Georgia. This is a tall, loose-leaved cabbage-like plant used for greens. This variety grows 2 feet high, and forms large, open heads. Pkt., 5c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 50c, postpaid.

177 Chicory

Witloof (French Endive). A European delicacy now standard in all best hotels and restaurants in the U. S. It is easily grown. Sow in spring; store parsnip-like roots in sand until wanted for growing on in winter. Special strain. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 85c; lb., \$3.00, postpaid.

178 Corn Salad

Large Seeded. This is a small, quick growing salad plant, for late fall, winter and spring use. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 50c; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

179 Endive

One of the best salads for fall and winter use. Broad Leaved Batavian. The broad, thick, slightly wrinkled leaves form a large head which is preferred for stews and soups. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.35, postpaid.

180 Parsnips

One ounce for 150 feet of drill—5 to 6 lbs. per acre. Hollow Crown (85 days). Standard sort, long, sweet, and very productive. The best for general cultivation. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 90c; 5 lbs., \$3.50, postpaid.



Leek

181 Parsley

One ounce will sow 100 feet of drill. Champion Moss Curled (65 days). Extra large, dark green, tender, crimped and curled. We recommend this variety for either greenhouse or outdoor. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

182 Large Rooted

Hamburg Parsley

(100 days). The edible portion is the fleshy root. It is highly esteemed for flavoring soups, stews, etc. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

182½ Mixed Herbs

Your garden is not complete without a row of herbs such as Dill, Anise, Balm, Sweet Basil, Lavender, Sage, Sweet Fennel, etc. In the old days herbs were indispensable, and they should not be forgotten now. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 85c, postpaid.

183 Leek

Large Musselburg. Enormous broad leaves, mild flavor. Good exhibition sort. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50, postpaid.

184 Kale

Moss Curled. The best and hardiest variety. Robust, very compact in growth, with dense moss curled leaves of deep green color. The stems produce curly sprouts which are tender and of a fine flavor. Grows about 30 inches high; stands cold which improves its deliciousness. Ready for use in about 55 days. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 50c; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

185 Mustard

A pungent salad. Sow thickly in rows six inches apart and cut when about two inches high. Chinese New Giant. An excellent new sort. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

186 Okra

White Velvet. Very distinct in appearance. Unlike other varieties, the pods are not rigid, but perfectly round, smooth, of an attractive white velvety appearance, and superior flavor. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 70c, postpaid.

187 Rhubarb Seed

The variety Linneaus; has given good results for many years. One ounce of seed should produce about 1,000 roots. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., \$1.00; lb., \$3.00, postpaid.

KOHL RABI

Intermediate between cabbage and turnip. Sow in open ground in May or June in rows 18 inches apart; thin to one foot.

188 Early White Vienna

Flesh white and tender. Best market sort. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., 80c; lb., \$2.85, postpaid.

189 Egg Plant

A tender plant. Sow in hotbed or small box in the house, transplant in as warm a place in the garden as you have, after settled warm weather. New York Improved Spineless. The leading market variety. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 30c; oz., 50c; ¼ lb., \$1.75, postpaid.

Frankville, N. Y.

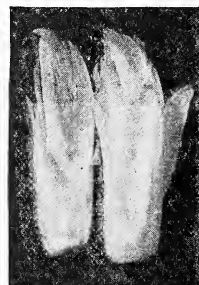
Aug. 31, 1926.

Ransom Seed & N. Co.
Geneva, O.

Gentlemen: Enclosed please find a money order for \$1.10 for seeds received this spring. The seeds proved very satisfactory.

Yours truly,

CLEMENT L. KING.



Chicory Witloof



Comet

Midseason kinds, which flower during August; then the Late-Flowering varieties, which are at their best through September. It is quite easy, therefore, with a little care in the selection of the varieties, to have Asters in flower from the first day in July until hard frost.

Beautify Your Home with Asters

Asters are one of the most important summer and autumn flowers, and receive special care at our hands. Our list comprises only such sorts as can be planted with perfect confidence that nothing better is procurable, no matter at what price or from what source.

The Early sorts begin blooming in July, followed by the

197 Boltze's Dwarf Bouquet Mixed, all colors. Pretty little plants of handsome form, completely covered with flowers, each plant forming a neat bouquet. The flowers are the most distinct and delicate shade. Pkt., 10c; 1/8 oz., 35c; 1/4 oz., 55c.

198 Peerless Pink Flowers of enormous size, globular in shape, up to five inches across, of a most delightful and pleasing shade of rich shell pink. A beauty and a prolific bloomer. Plants 2 feet high. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; 1/4 oz., 40c; 1/2 oz., 75c.

199 Ostrich Plume A fine type of Giant Comet, having very long, irregularly twisted petals, producing a plume-like effect. Flowers very large, on long stems; fine for cut flowers. All colors mixed. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; 1/8 oz., 30c; 1/4 oz., 55c.

EARLY ASTERS

190 Queen of the Market The best of the extra-early varieties, fully two weeks ahead of all others. Flowers quite large and double. Mixed. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; 1/4 oz., 25c; 1/2 oz., 45c.

191 Snowball Aster Sturdy plants bearing an abundance of big snowy-white blooms, medium early. The best dwarf white Aster. Fine for bedding, cutting or the garden border. Pkt., 10c; 1/4 oz., 35c; 1/2 oz., 65c; oz., \$1.65.

192 Royal A valuable variety of Aster of the Comet type, coming into bloom in mid-season. They are vigorous and sturdy growers, branching from the base of the plants. Although early—Mid-Season Asters—they remain in flower a long time; the flowers being of splendid substance; splendid cut flower type. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; 1/4 oz., 25c; 1/2 oz., 45c.

MIDSEASON ASTERS

193 Crego Giant Plants grow about 2 ft. high, branch freely; flowers of immense size, curled and twisted. A monster among Asters. 7 colors, mixed. Pkt., 10c; 1/2 oz., 30c; 1/4 oz., 55c.

194 Daybreak A wonderful Aster and a rare gem. 12 to 18 inches high, strong grower; compact, round flowers in great quantities; 5 colors, mixed. Pkt., 10c; 1/2 oz., 35c; 1/4 oz., 65c.

195 Giant Comet In our opinion this is one of the handsomest of the medium-tall sorts. The plants grow about 18 to 24 inches high, and have beautiful flowers in great abundance. These flowers, with their long, twisted petals, strikingly resemble Japanese Chrysanthemums, and are of very large size. Splendid for cutting. Mixed. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; 1/2 oz., 30c; 1/4 oz., 55c.

196 Astermum Well named, because the shaggy flowers are really more like Chrysanthemums than Asters. Plants are branching with long stems but rather dwarfer than the Comet type. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c; 1/2 oz., 30c; 1/4 oz., 55c.

LATE-FLOWERING ASTERS

200 New King Aster A distinct new type. Very large, double flowers, with long, narrow, folded, needle-like petals. Flowers resemble Cactus Dahlias. Very attractive, all colors. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; 1/4 oz., 30c; 1/2 oz., 55c.

201 Sensation Bushy and branching plant about two feet high, flowers double and incurved, resembling a Dahlia and the flower a lively cardinal red. The flowers are wonderfully attractive in the garden and when cut and used under artificial light the effect is charming. Pkt., 15c; 1/2 oz., 35c; 1/4 oz., 65c.

202 Mikado Similar to the Crego's Giant but dwarfer in growth, and comes into bloom fully two weeks earlier. Height about 18 inches, of branching habit, and the flowers, borne on long, strong stems, are of colossal size, 5 to 6 inches across being the rule. Mixed. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; 1/2 oz., 35c; 1/4 oz., 65c.

203 American Beauty One of the most beautiful Asters of recent introduction. Of vigorous habit, producing large double flowers on long stems. The color is a brilliant rosy crimson. Pkt., 10c; 1/2 oz., 45c; 1/4 oz., 85c.

204 American Branching The best all around Aster. In their full glory in September. The flowers are big balls of color, often 4 inches across, always on long stems; fine for cutting. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c; 1/2 oz., 30c; 1/4 oz., 55c.

205 Extra Quality Mixed Asters Very carefully prepared—containing all of the separate types we list, and others as well. It will give you a beautiful Aster collection for the price of one packet—types early, midseason and late, and all the colors known to Asters. Plant a quantity of this mixture and see what delights are in store for you. Pkt., 10c; 1/2 oz., 25c; 1/2 oz., 75c; oz., \$1.25.



Branching

206 ASTER SEED OFFER

\$1.00
Postpaid

In order that our customers may have this fine collection of Asters we will mail one packet of each of the 15 kinds as described on these pages (15 packets in all regular \$1.60 value) for \$1.00, postpaid.

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Postpaid

Seeds of Annual Flowers

Our list of annual flowers, those that bloom the same year the seed is sown, does not cover every variety, but it does describe the best kind for garden planting. Gardeners like good flower seeds. You can grow the kinds we have listed with reasonable care—the hard to grow kinds are not offered. Our seed is the best that can be grown, coming from the best flower seed specialists in this country and abroad, carefully tested before selling, and is of the same high quality we sell the particular florist for greenhouse and outside planting.

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WE MAIL ALL FLOWER SEEDS POSTPAID TO ANY POST OFFICE IN THE UNITED STATES

207 Ageratum (Floss Flower). A plant of the greatest beauty and value for garden or window; unexcelled for borders or bedding. Early and constant bloomer.

FINEST VARIETIES MIXED. All sorts and colors. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 25c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 45c; oz., 85c.

208 Alyssum, Sweet A pretty little flowering plant for beds, edging, or rock work, indispensable for bouquet making, being a beautiful white flower with delicate honey-like fragrance. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 25c; oz., 45c.

AMARANTHUS

Brilliant foliaged plants 3 to 6 feet high. Given plenty of room and a hot sunny location they are very attractive among the tall plants or center of a large bed. Sow seed outdoors in May.

209 Salicifolia "Fountain Plant." Willow-leaved. The pretty, green, red and yellow foliage is gracefully arching like a fountain spray. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 25c.

210 Tricolor "Joseph's Coat." Very brilliant coleus-like foliage, the red, yellow and green beautifully blended. An exceptionally fine strain. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 30c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 50c.

211 Giant-Flowered Antirrhinum

(SNAPDRAGON). This old favorite is one of the most beautiful and useful border plants of our gardens. Its very graceful flowers are borne on long stems and in the greatest diversity of colors. The spikes of flowers are most brilliant and showy. Height, 2 feet. **Finest Mixed Colors.** An elegant assortment of innumerable rich colors and shades. Pkt., 15c; $\frac{1}{8}$ oz., 60c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., \$1.10.

212 Bachelor's Buttons (Centaurea). Nice hardy annuals. Great variety of colors. Endures drought well, and succeeds nicely in any soil. Gives the best satisfaction. Pretty in bouquets. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 30c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 55c.

213 Candytuft One of our most useful and popular annuals. Completely covered all summer with clusters of flowers that are well suited for borders or bouquets. Mixed. Including all colors. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 25c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 40c.

214 Centaurea CR. CORNFLOWER. **Imperialis.** The plants grow about 3 feet high with numerous large flowers borne on long stems, and produce a great mass of bloom all summer. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 30c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 55c.

215 Calliopsis (Tickseed) **Hardy Annual.** The calliopsis is very hardy, and will thrive anywhere. It makes a quick growth, and produces beautiful foliage. It is one of our brightest and best summer bloomers. Gold and maroon of the most

brilliant hues are the prevailing colors. Excellent for cutting and massing. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 25c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 45c.

216 Calendula (Scotch Marigold). Well-known good garden soil, flowering very freely, and continuing in bloom from June to November; suitable for pot culture. 10 to 12 inches high. Calendulas have become very popular of late; the striking orange, red and yellow blooms are very effective and attractive, growing on stout, long stems. They are excellent for cutting. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 20c; oz., 35c.

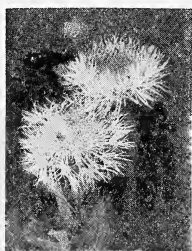
217 Canna Seed The seed we offer is of the large flowering French Cannas, which are the very finest. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; oz., 25c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 85c; postpaid.

218 Chinese Wool Flower This recent novelty is the most curious as well as the most showy of all Celosias. The round globular flowers, appearing like large balls of bright red wool, start blooming in July and continue until cut down by frost. The flowers do not fade but increase in size and brilliancy throughout the season. They are excellent for bedding or specimen plants. Height, 2 to 3 feet. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 40c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 75c.

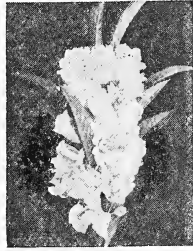
219 Giant Double Balsam (Lady Slipper). This is one of the most gorgeous old-fashioned flowers. The plants often have six to twelve branches, literally covered with large rose-like flowers. There is more bloom display to a Balsam than any plant of equal size. Easy to grow but will thrive best in a sunny location. Transplanting will give the plants a better shape and produce finer flowers. Mixed comprises the finest double sorts. Annual. Height, two feet. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 25c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 40c.

220 Gaillardia (Blanket Flower). The flowers are dazzling and brilliant in colors, red and yellow predominating. Easy to grow from seed, and will produce in profusion a continuous supply of exquisite flowers on long stems. Blooms from early spring until late fall. Will thrive in poor soil and are not affected by extremes of weather. Plants of strong growth with grayish foliage. Height, eighteen inches. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 25c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 45c; oz., 75c.

220½ Godetia (Mixed). This delightful flower is not so widely known as it deserves to be. The habit of the species is excellent and the glossy, silky texture of the petals is worthy of inspection. Put in a bed of Godetias and Larkspur mixed and you will certainly be delighted with the effect. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 25c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 45c.



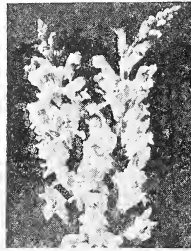
Centaurea



Balsam



Woolflower



Snapdragon

WON'T YOU PASS OUR CATALOG TO YOUR NEIGHBOR?



Cosmos

221 California Poppies

ESCHSCHOLTZIA Golden West
—A grand strain of the well-known favorite California Poppies. The flowers have large, overlapping petals, which are often delicately waved at the edges, showing beautiful and varied forms. The color is an intense shining yellow, with an orange blotch. Hardy annual. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 35c; oz., 60c.

222 Carnation Marguerite

This new race of Carnations, unlike all others, blooms in about three months from the time of sowing the seed and continues to flower until checked by frost. They embrace a fine range of brilliant colors, are very free flowering. Best mixed. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 50c; ½ oz., 90c.

COSMOS

A magnificent race of plants growing about 4 to 6 feet high, and in fall literally covered with graceful flowers resembling single dahlias.

223 Early Dawn Is extremely early, coming in bloom about two months from time of sowing and continuing until frost. The plants have fine, feathery, light green foliage and delicate rose, purple, white and lilac flowers. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c.

224 Double-Crested Cosmos In these varieties the flowers are large, but instead of the yellow center they have a double center which stands up like a cushion. The outer row or crest is made up of broad ray petals. This is the best of all Cosmos for cut flowers as the blooms last an unusually long time in water. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 60c; ½ oz., \$1.00; oz., \$1.75.

225 Cockscorn (Celosia). Is a pretty, interesting class of annuals, and is prized for both indoor and outdoor planting. Showy summer and fall. Mixed. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 45c; ½ oz., 85c.

CHRYSANTHEMUM

The annual Chrysanthemums are distinct from the autumn flowering, blooming all summer and making a gorgeous display.

226 Annual Double White Snow-

ball A magnificent variety growing about 18 inches high and blooming continuously throughout the summer. They are covered with clusters of double pure white flowers of a beautiful fringed appearance. Will last a week or two after being cut. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 40c; ½ oz., 75c; oz., \$1.40.

Hardy Chrysanthemums are listed under Perennials.

227 Crimson Flax (Linum grandiflorum rubrum). This is a very pretty dwarf annual. The rich crimson flowers last only a day but they are borne continuously until frost. Makes a splendid subject for massing or may be planted as edging for borders or lawn. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c.

DIANTHUS, PINK HEDDEWEGIA

For brilliancy of coloring and markings, as well as beautiful forms of flowers, this family cannot be surpassed. The colors range through white, pink and crimson to the very deepest maroon; many varieties are finely fringed. Hardy biennials, but are better treated as annuals, as they bloom early from seed sown in the spring. Fancy mixed.

228 Dianthus—Chinese or Indian Pinks

Hardy biennials; bloom early from seed; extra double flowers in choicest mixture of bright single colors, variegated and spotted. One of the finest for massing in beds. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c.

229 Dianthus Nobilis This is of the Royal pinks, covering a range of rose, pink and dark crimson shades, with dark eyes, petals double and laciniated. Very compact bushes, living for two seasons. Flowers exceptionally large. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 35c; ½ oz., 65c.

230 Swan River Daisy (Brachycome). A delightful little bush about 9 inches high giving bountifully of its dainty blue flowers all summer. Like violet blue stars the flowers practically cover the foliage. Fine for low border edgings—and for pot culture also. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 45c; ½ oz., 85c.

231 Everlasting Flowers (Helichrysum Mon-strosus Mixed). Large, full, double, daisy like flower heads with prominent centers and stiff overlapping scales. Produced in various shades of bright yellow and scarlet on stems of good length. Desirable as dried specimens and for use in making winter bouquets. For this purpose, the flowers should be gathered when on the point of expanding. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c; oz., 85c.

232 Four O'clock (Marvel of Peru). Well known annual. The bushy plants bear an abundance of sweet scented flowers which open late in the afternoon. Sow the seed where plants are to remain, as they will not do so well if transplanted. Height, thirty inches. Finest Mixed. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50.

233 Angel's Trumpet Datura. Cornucopia (Horn of Plenty). Very hardy and beautiful. Flowers are trumpet-shaped, measuring 8 to 10 inches in length and 5 to 7 inches across the mouth and form three distinct flowers growing each within the other. Very fragrant. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 20c; ½ oz., 35c; oz., 65c.

DUSTY MILLER

This foliage variety of Centaurea makes excellent borders on account of their silvery white foliage. The plants grow 6 to 12 inches high.

234 Candidissima Dwarf and neatly compact plants formed by thick silvery white leaves. Fine for bedding or borders. Bears attractive golden-yellow flowers. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 65c; ½ oz., \$1.20.

235 Giant Castor Bean The Ricinus has very ornamental foliage and beautiful showy fruit. Fine for the center of a bed, as it gives a magnificent semi-tropical appearance, or, planted thick, it makes a fine screen or hedge. Plant seed in open, very rich, deep-spaded ground, in a dry situation, as soon as safe in spring. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 50c.

236 Nicotiana SWEET SCENTED TOBACCO PLANT. Beautiful pure white flowers of delicious and very strong fragrance. Easy to grow. Tender annual, 2½ to 3 ft. high. Blooms July to October. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c.

237 Golden Feather Pyrethrum Aureum. The golden yellow feathery foliage makes it a very attractive border or bedding plant. Dwarf and compact with pretty white flowers. It is half hardy, but treat like an annual. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 35c.

238 Blue Lace Flower (Didiscus Coeruleus) Queen Anne's Blue Lace Flower is a shade of "heavenly" blue that has decided value in the cut flower bouquet or in the open garden. Flower is almost ball-shaped, a compact mass of dainty individual florets, the whole charming and graceful. Plant the seed early in a cool, rather moist, part of the garden. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; ¼ oz., 50c.

239 Kochia or Fire Bush

The New Giant (Summer Cypress, Burning Bush). A charming and most effective decorative plant, with a habit resembling one of the compact evergreen shrubs. It has a light green feathery foliage, changes to crimson. May be grown as single specimens, or as an ornamental hedge. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 20c; ½ oz., 30c; oz., 55c.



Eschscholtzia



Dahlia

240 African Marigold *Pride of the Garden.* The immense flowers of this grand variety are densely double, and of a beautiful golden yellow color. A notable feature is the compact, dwarf habit of the plant, which forms dense bushes fifteen to eighteen inches high and two feet across. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 35c; ½ oz., 65c; oz., \$1.15.

241 Gladiolus *Half Hardy Perennial.* Can be grown to bloom the first season from seed, producing good bulbs for the second year's blooming. All shades and colors.

Large Flowering Hybrids, Finest Mixed. Saved from the largest flowering varieties in a wide range of colors. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; ¼ oz., 50c; ½ oz., 95c.

242 Larkspur *Annual.* Quick-growing, free-flowering annual producing its long clustered spikes of beautiful flowers in greatest profusion. Splendid for the old-fashioned flower or shrub border. A splendid mixture including Emperor, Hyacinth Flowered, Dwarf Rocket. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c.

243 Love-in-a-Mist (*Nigella*). A compact, free-flowering plant, with very finely cut foliage. The plants grow to oval bush from 15 to 18 inches high. A very curious and interesting plant. In the finely cut fern-like foliage nestle hundreds of lovely, bright blue double flowers. 1½ inches across, a distinct and pretty novelty that is bound to interest and please all who grow it. Sow in the open ground in May. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c.

244 Grasses *Ornamental Mixed, 2 to 5 ft.* These are most useful for winter bouquets when combined with Everlasting flowers. They are easily grown in any soil. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c.

HELIOTROPE

A great favorite for their beauty and fragrance; are well suited for beds or borders, where they bloom in summer and may be potted for winter blooming.

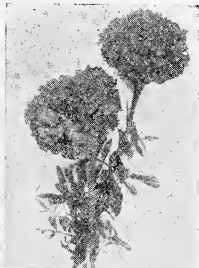
245 California Mammoth

A grand variety producing immense flowers. The best type to grow in open beds from seed. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 50c; ¼ oz., 90c.

ANNUAL PHLOX

This splendid genus of plants is unrivaled for richness of color, profusion of bloom, length of duration of bloom and general compactness, and whether in clumps or masses looks equally beautiful.

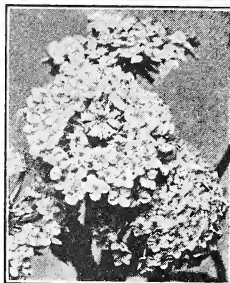
246 Grandiflora Mixed This superb strain is notable not only for variety and brilliancy of colors but also for the perfection and size of the flowers. Many of the single flowers are so large that they will nearly cover a 50-cent pie. The colors range from pure white to deepest red or crimson while the clear eye of some of the flowers is peculiarly marked. For a mass of splendid colors no flower will give a more satisfactory return for so little cost. No garden should be without these beautiful dwarf growing annuals. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 30c; ½ oz., 55c; 1 oz., \$1.00.



Marigold

GROW DAHLIAS FROM SEED

Dahlias can easily be grown from seed. If the seed is planted early in the season, many plants will bloom the first year. They produce their flowers in great abundance from August until frost. Store the roots dry and frost-proof.



Blue Lace

247 The New Cactus

One of the finest flowers of late introduction, and where known is rapidly taking the place of the old standard Dahlias. Flowers are quilled and curved, resembling Chrysanthemums; grown on long stems, which makes them especially valuable for cut flowers. Our seed is all saved from the newest and most perfect varieties. Pkt., 25c; ¼ oz., 95c; ½ oz., \$1.80; 1 oz., \$3.40.

248 Collarette, Mixed The blooms are similar to the single Dahlia, but each flower has a row or collar of fluted florets surrounding the yellow stamens in the center. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 45c; ½ oz., 85c.

249 Decorative A large-flowering strain with double or semi-double flowers in many colors. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 55c; ½ oz., \$1.00.

250 Pompon Blooms freely, producing small, ball-shaped flowers in many colors. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 55c; ½ oz., \$1.00.

251 ONE PACKAGE OF EACH OF THE DAHLIAS ABOVE
50c, POSTPAID.



Gladiolus

PETUNIAS

252 Dwarf Petunias This beautiful type is particularly well suited for solid beds or borders. The plants form neat round bushes which are literally covered with thousands of flowers. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; ¼ oz., 50c; ½ oz., 80c.

253 Howard's Star A beautiful free-flowering strain, color crimson-maroon with a clearly-defined five-pointed star of bluish-white. For bedding, window boxes, borders, vases, etc., this is exceptionally fine. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 40c; ½ oz., 90c.

254 Balcony Petunias For window or porch boxes, dry banks, terraces, or among rock work, the Balcony Petunias may be depended upon to supply an unsurpassed floral effect throughout the summer until frost. The seed may be started indoors and the plants set out after the weather has become warm, about the middle of April. Balcony Petunias grow vigorously and are most profuse bloomers. Pkt., 20c; 2 pkts., 35c; 6 pkts., \$1.00.

Ransom Seed & N. Co., Geneva, Ohio.

Gentlemen: I want to thank you very kindly for your prompt replacement of the Barberry plants which failed to grow in the shipment received from you last year, and about which I wrote you on April 29th.

The replacement was received on May 1st, containing healthy looking plants and I assure you I will not hesitate to order from you when I need anything more in your line.

Yours very truly,
T. V. DUNCAN, 79 First Ave.

Greenville, Pa., May 12th, 1926.

255 Dwarf Phlox NANA COMPACTA MIXED.

This splendid race of dwarf annual Phloxes cannot be overpraised for brightness and beauty. The plants are always lavishly covered with large flowers of the most brilliant hues. Nothing better for bedding purposes is listed in this catalog. They succeed everywhere and are in universal favor for summer growing flowering purposes. Bushes are dwarf and compact, six to eight inches high, forming dense masses of bloom all summer. The colors include pure white, deep red rose with white eye and many other shades. Pkt., 15c; $\frac{1}{8}$ oz., 45c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 80c.

256 Portulaca (Rose Moss). This is remarkable for its brilliant colors and richness of bloom. Particularly adapted to rock-work edgings, etc. Blooms constantly. Nothing can exceed it in beauty. Gorgeously grand when in full bloom. Double, mixed. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; $\frac{1}{8}$ oz., 50c.

257 Stocks Large Flowering. 10 weeks. The leading class for summer blooming in the garden. Beautiful, fragrant spikes of double flowers. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{8}$ oz., 40c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 75c.

258 Scarlet Salvia Of all fall-blooming annuals, Scarlet Sage is, without question, the richest and most impressive in color—a scorching scarlet of unsurpassed brilliancy. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; $\frac{1}{8}$ oz., 50c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 80c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., \$1.60.

259 Rainbow Corn The ornamental stalks, including tassel, grow 5 to 5½ feet tall, and are clothed with many variegated leaves 3 inches wide and 2 feet long. The leaves (both on main stalks and on suckers) are all superbly striped, with broad bands of crimson, yellow, rose, white, and bronze. The small hardy seed can be planted early and, as it does not ripen until very late, the plants present their rich tropical beauty for a long season. Rainbow Corn was originated by Luther Burbank. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; 4 ozs., 85c.

NEW SUNFLOWERS**260 Double Chrysanthemum — Flowered**

This is a wonderful Sunflower with fully double blooms which resemble a giant Chrysanthemum. The large heads are made up of thousands of small fringed petals, forming a broad thick flower. The plants grow nearly 7 feet tall and are covered with the mammoth blooms. The color is an intense bright golden yellow. The blooms measure 6 to 8 inches. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 35c; oz., 65c.

261 Red Sunflower Grows 5 to 6 feet tall. The flowers are very numerous, of good form, usually having large long rays and small discs. The color varies greatly—some plants

produce flowers of a rich chestnut-red, others red flowers tipped with yellow, others washed with red. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 30c; oz., 55c.

MAMMOTH PANSIES

One of the most interesting classes of flowers grown. A bed of Pansies in bloom always has something new for you in variety of color and marking, every time you visit it. Are in bloom continuously from spring until late fall. The seed may be sown in the hot bed, in boxes in the house or in the open ground. We believe we can best serve our patrons by offering the seeds in only three grades, rather than to list them in separate named varieties. The following are the three grades or types:

260 Bedding Mixture These are the popular saucy-faced beauties that everybody loves, comprising the finest varieties in all colors. Just what you want for a pretty bed. You will be delighted with this mixture. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{8}$ oz., 35c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 65c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., \$1.20.

263 Ransom's Giant Exhibition We offer this mixture of Giant Flowering Pansies to our customers with pride. It is composed of most carefully selected varieties of the choicest Pansies of our own wonderful strain and the finest of the new kinds introduced by the leading European and American Pansy specialists. The flowers are uniformly of the largest size, colors striking in their brilliancy, and yet retaining all the delicate shades, hues and pencilings that have made the Pansy one of our most favored flowers. Pkt., 20c; $\frac{1}{8}$ oz., 50c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 95c.

264 Masterpiece This magnificent Pansy comes nearer to being a double Pansy than anything ever introduced under that name; the border of every petal being conspicuously crimped and curled in such a fashion as to make the flowers appear double. The color combinations are very odd and contain some choice tints not found in any other strain of Pansies. Pkt., 25c; $\frac{1}{8}$ oz., 65c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., \$1.20.

265 Pansy Violet, Tufted Pansy The Pansy Violet, or Everlasting Pansy, is a charming flower for the hardy border, combining the beauty, fragrance and free blooming habit of the Pansy with the hardy perennial character of the Viola cornuta, or "Horned Violet" of Europe. The plants do not "run out" like those of the ordinary Pansy, and may be left year after year in the same bed. The flowers, which are really medium sized Pansies, are produced in the greatest profusion the whole season, the plants enduring the heat of mid-summer much better than those of the true Pansy. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{8}$ oz., 25c.

266 Mignonette (Mammoth Flowering, Sweet-Scented). Sow in the open ground after all fear of frost has passed. Our Mammoth Flowering Mignonette is much superior to the common variety so often bought in the stores that will develop into nothing much better than a weed. The most beautiful bright red Mignonette in existence; the color being a magnificent pure bright red; extremely showy and enormous grand flowers; foliage beautiful rich green; a perfect flower for cutting. Pkt., 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 25c; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 45c.

Butler, Pa., Oct. 20, 1926.

Ransom Seed & N. Co.

Gentlemen: Received your nursery stock yesterday and it was fine, really the best nursery stock I have received this fall. Can you send me at once the following. Please get off enclosed soon as possible.

And oblige,
JAMES F. SOMERVILLE,
120 Summit St.



Stocks



Petunia

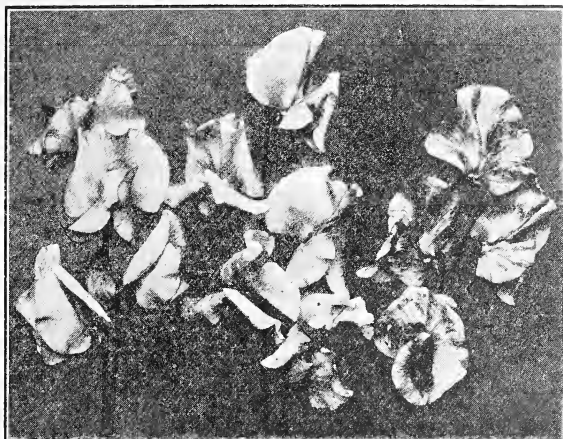


Phlox



Pansy Violet

SEND US YOUR ORDERS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE



Spencer Sweet Peas

POPPIES

Probably no class of plants enjoys greater popularity and is more widely grown than the Poppies. The wonderful range of brilliant colors of their delicate, gracefully borne flowers is well known. The poppies are quite hardy and the seed should be sown as early in the spring as possible. Make successive plantings for a continuous bloom all summer.

267 Giant Shirley One of the most beautiful of all Poppies and produces flowers of enormous size and of the most gorgeous colors. They possess a grace and beauty all their own. Shades of delicate rose, pink, carmine, brilliant crimson, white, scarlet edged white, and many others are blended in this wonderful Poppy. Plants grow about 15 inches high. Mixed Colors. Both Single and Double. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 40c.

268 Brilliant Mixed Poppies This is the greatest mixture of Poppies ever sent out. There are over 20 named varieties included in the mixture and is sure to make a wonderful display for a long time. Flowers are immense both in size and color, some are single, double, and semi-double, and every color imaginable will be found in a bed of these gorgeous poppies. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; ¼ oz., 20c; ½ oz., 35c.

269 Flanders Poppy Vivid scarlet-red. This flower has been in the minds of men for over two hundred years with the battlefields of Flanders. Was the first official flower of the American Legion. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; ¼ oz., 45c.

ZINNIAS

Few flowers are so easily grown or bloom so abundantly and continuously as this hardy annual. Marvelous improvements have been wrought in the newer strains. During the months of August and September Zinnias are incomparably bright. We recommend them for groups, beds, borders and summer hedges. Sow seed in the open ground early in spring. Height, 1½ to 2 feet.

270 New Giant Zinnia Picotee This novelty is the most attractive thing in all the race of Zinnias. The flowers are of the Giant type, each petal distinctly tipped with a darker shade as in Picotee Carnations. They come in a variety of colors: Orange, Flesh, Lemon, Pink and Cerise, each with the peculiar marking. This is an odd yet wonderfully beautiful Zinnia. We offer in mixture only. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; ¼ oz., 50c; ½ oz., 80c.

271 Curled and Crested Flowers of this fine class of Zinnias are large, full and double, petals being twisted, rendering them free from stiffness. Splendid colors. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ¼ oz., 35c; ½ oz., 65c.

272 Giant Golden Yellow A lovely shade of yellow. The flowers are perfectly double and always of the largest size. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 35c; ½ oz., 65c.

273 New Dahlia Flowered It is really hard to distinguish between these enormous flowered Zinnias and the blooms of the Dahlias when in the cut flower bouquet, and the Zinnias will give you more flowers and for a longer season. The plants are tall and vigorous and the flowering season lasts from July until frost comes. Mixed colors. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; ¼ oz., 50c; ½ oz., 90c.

274 One package each of the above four Zinnias—regular 50c value for 40 cents.

275 Weather Plant This beautiful plant has created a great sensation. If the leaves stand upward the sky will be cloudless; if they stand out straight, changeable weather is indicated; when the leaves hang straight downward, water may be expected to fall in torrents. A local storm is indicated by the curling together of the leaves.

Bears clusters of bright yellow flowers, followed by pods with brilliant red seeds used for making chains, etc. Seeds should be soaked in lukewarm water before planting. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 30c; oz., 50c.

SWEET PEAS

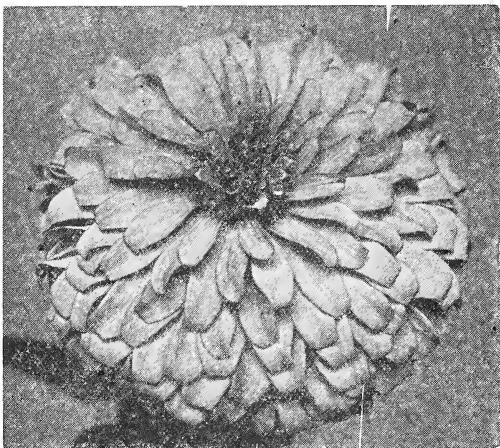
276 Butterfly Spencer Mixture In preparing this mixture we are giving our customers all the best varieties in this class and all possible color variations, including many brand new kinds as well. A liberal planting of this mixture will give a most magnificent display of the Giant Spencer types. Satisfaction guaranteed. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50.

277 Grandiflora Mixture This is a special blend of the large flowering or grandiflora class of Sweet Peas and is absolutely unsurpassed. It is not grown as a mixture but is "blended" by ourselves and consists of the largest flowering, most beautiful named varieties. Pkt., 5c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50.

278 Cupid, Dwarf or Bedding, Mixed

Early Flowering Sweet Peas. These form a bush of emerald-green foliage a little over a foot wide and six inches high, and from June until late summer are literally a sheet of bloom. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50.

279 Hardy Sweet Peas (PERENNIAL) (LATHYRUS LATIFOLIUS). Perpetual blooming Sweet Peas, fine for covering old stumps, fences, etc. Perfectly hardy, increasing in beauty each year. Valuable for cutting. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c; oz., 85c.



Dahlia Flowered Zinnia



Nasturtiums

NASTURTIIUMS

280 Tall or Climbing For trailing over porch lattice or arbors, or for covering old fences or unsightly places, also for vases. A great variety in colors, including the brilliant Lobbianum type. Mixture, including all types. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50.

281 Tall Ivy Leaved A desirable new type of Climbing Nasturtiums, having bright green ivy-like foliage, veined with white, with brilliant colored fringed flowers. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 50c; lb., \$1.70.

282 Dwarf Mixed Nasturtiums Specially desirable for bordering beds, walks or driveways, forming neat compact plants a foot across. Always in bloom from June to October. A splendid mixture comprising many varieties and colors. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 50c; lb., \$1.70.

283 Lilliput or Miniature Very beautiful varieties smaller in growth, leaf and flower than the other dwarf sorts, forming dwarf compact bushes, 8 to 10 inches high, fairly hidden throughout the season by flowers of a great variety of brilliant colors. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 50c; lb., \$1.70.

284 Nasturtium Collection One packet each of the four nasturtium varieties for 30 cents.

285 Verbenas GIANT HYBRIDS. The largest Verbenas in cultivation. For some time verbenas growers have been developing an increasingly larger flower until we are now able to offer this strain of Giant Hybrids in mixed colors only. Verbenas like these are a pleasure. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 35c; ¼ oz., 60c.

286 "Giant Spider Plant" A very ornamental plant easily raised from seed. The flowers are bright crimson-rose and produced on tall stems 3 to 4 ft. high. The seed pods form slender spikes about the flowers, which suggests the name "Spider-Plant." Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ¼ oz., 30c.

287 Job's Tears (Coix Lachryma) An old-fashioned but valuable remedy for sore throat, goitre and teething babies, when the seed is strung on linen thread and worn around the neck as a chain. Also used to advantage in basket making and raffia work. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 35c.

288 Mourning Bride ("Pin Cushion"). Scabiosa. The Sweet Scabious of the old-time garden, but in every way improved. Perfectly double, fragrant, elegant for cutting. Many colors. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 40c.

FLOWERS FOR THE HOUSE

THE KINDS LISTED BELOW ARE EASILY GROWN FROM SEED

To grow flowers in the house during summer in porch or window boxes and during winter in the window of the living room is neither difficult nor expensive. However, there are certain conditions which must be fulfilled for the plants to grow, such as the proper amount of sunlight, good air, and sufficient warmth.

289 Asparagus LACE FERN (*Plumosus Nanus*). A beautiful pot plant with green, fern-like, feathery foliage. This is the Asparagus generally used by florists to put in with bouquets. It can be satisfactorily grown from seed in pots in the house and kept warm. Pkt., 15c (25 seeds); 100 seeds, 60c; 300 seeds, \$1.60.

SMILAX

290 Myrsiphyllum Asparagoides This popular Boston Smilax is a most desirable window vine of graceful growth. The slender stems are covered with small glossy green leaves. Sow the seed any time during January, February, or March, and cover with a quarter inch of fine soil. When they are large enough to be handled transplant the seedlings into the hanging baskets or window boxes. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 30c; ½ oz., 45c; oz., 70c.

291 Lobelia This popular and beautiful flowering plant is most desirable for pot culture, edgings, hanging baskets, etc., blooming profusely from June to November. The blossoms of all sorts are particularly bright in appearance. Finest Mixed—Dwarf sorts in shades of blue and white. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 30c; ½ oz., 55c.

292 Ice Plant (*Mesembryanthemum*). A singular plant of spreading habit, and very effective in beds, rock-work, hanging baskets, etc. The plants have a peculiar icy foliage, and the sun gives to them the appearance of being covered with icy crystals. The flowers are white and pink. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 20c; ½ oz., 35c.

293 Musk Plant Fine for hanging baskets, pots, greenhouse or a shady place outdoors. Musk scented foliage and small yellow flowers. Annual. Height, ten inches. This is a plant that should be in every home collection; it will keep the house beautifully scented and sweet smelling. Pkt., 20c; 3 pkts., 50c; ¼ oz., 75c.

294 Palms Plant several seeds in a small pot, covering to the depth of one-half inch with light soil. Keep the pot in a moderately warm place indoors and water frequently. Seeds of some varieties germinate in a few weeks and are soon ready for individual pots. Others take much longer. Mixed. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c.

295 Geraniums ZONAL VARIETIES. Several from some of the finest collections and many choice and even new varieties may be expected. Pkt., 25c; ¼ oz., 50c; ½ oz., 95c; ¾ oz., \$1.75.

296 Grevillea (Silk Oak) ROBUSTA. A very beautiful and graceful decorative plant with fern-like foliage; excellent for table decoration; easily raised from seed, producing good-sized plants in a short time. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 50c; ½ oz., 90c.

297 HOUSE PLANT SEED OFFER

\$1.00	One packet each of the	\$1.00
Postpaid	above 8 kinds of House	Postpaid
	Plants	

298 Lupinus or Lupins Free flowering annuals of easy culture; long, graceful spikes of rich colored, pea-shaped flowers. Fine for borders, large beds and for cutting. Prefers a little shade. 2 feet. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., 90c.

299 Salpiglossis (Painted Tongue). As pot plants they are elegant and for cut flowers for vases and bouquets they are unsurpassed. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ¼ oz., 25c.

300 Wild Flower Garden A mixture of bright colors, free-flowering, easily grown annuals that with little care will produce an abundance of beautiful flowers from early Summer until frost. Pkt., 5c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 35c; ¼ lb., \$1.00; lb., \$3.50.

Climbing Vines

The following vines are annuals, except Kudzu Vine,
all easily grown from seed

303 Canary Bird Flower A pretty, rapid climbing vine. The charming little canary-yellow flowers reminding you of a canary bird with wings half extended. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 35c; oz., 65c.

Oakland, Calif., June 22, 1926.

Ransom Seed & N. Co., Geneva, O.

Gentlemen: Enclosed please find my check in the sum of \$6.00 for 50 mixed Japanese Iris.

The flowers that I have purchased from you heretofore have been extremely satisfactory.

Yours truly,

MYRON HARRIS, Atty.

304 Cypress Vine A most beautiful vine, with delicate fern-like foliage and beautiful star-shaped rose, scarlet and white flowers. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 15c; ½ oz., 25c.

305 Japanese Hop One of the most rapid climbers grown. Seed can be sown in the open ground in Spring and the plant will attain enormous dimensions very quickly. The foliage is luxuriant and it is one of the best plants for covering verandas and trellises. Heat, drought and insects do not trouble it. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 35c; oz., 60c.

306 Hyacinth Beans Strong, rapid grower, making a very quick dense shade; used for ornamenting porches, verandas and trellises. It bears brilliant scarlet pea-like flowers. Vines grow 8 feet high. Used both as a string or shelled bean for eating as well as ornamental purposes. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c.

307 Balloon Vine Hardy Annual Climber. A rapid-growing climber, very desirable in its place. It will grow to a height of from 10 to 15 feet, bearing beautiful white flowers which are followed by its seed-pods of a balloon shape. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 35c.

308 Cobaea Scandens A Mexican Vine of very rapid growth, growing 15 to 20 feet high. Must not be planted outside until weather is permanently warm. Sometimes called Climbing Foxglove. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 40c.

309 Japanese Imperial Morning Glory Unquestionably the handsomest of all Morning Glories. Rapid climber, large foliage and immense flowers of rare beauty. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 25c; oz., 40c.

310 Japanese Kudzu Vine (Jack and the Bean-Stalk Vine). Of wonderfully quick growth, climbing to a height of 50 feet. The large, bold leaves are of dark green color, and make a dense shade. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 35c; ½ oz., 60c; oz., \$1.00.

Rockville, Conn., Apr., 1st, 1926.

Gentlemen: I am enclosing an order for seeds to the amount of \$1.60. Last year for the first time I purchased some seeds of you. Your Spencer Sweet Peas were among them. I never had such success with sweet peas before, but that short row bore an abundance of the loveliest long stemmed, large, fragrant blossoms which we enjoyed all summer and fall. Having many a bunch to pass on to friends.

Very truly,

MRS. MILO A. GOLD, R. D. No. 4.

311 Gourds, Ornamental Desirable, pretty climbers for many places where a large amount of vines are wanted quickly. The blossoms of some are quite striking and

handsome. Their interesting features are the odd, unique and ornamental gourds. **Special Mixture** — Splendid assortment of many varieties. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 35c.

312 Climbing Foxglove *Lophospermum* A beautiful climbing vine from Mexico. The graceful flowers are of large size and resemble pink Foxgloves. Plant the seed when soil is permanently warm. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c.

313 Moonflower *White-Seeded (Grandiflora Alba)*. The variety most generally grown. It bears in greatest profusion immense, lovely, white flowers, five to six inches in diameter. If planted in rich ground in a sunny situation, the vines attain a height of 25 feet. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 30c; oz., 50c.

314 Thunbergia (Black Eyed Susan). An elegant slender growing vine from Africa. Very attractive when grown on trellises, in vases, or trailing on the ground. Large single flowers, in white, yellow and orange, with distinct black eye. Bloom from July to October. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 50c.

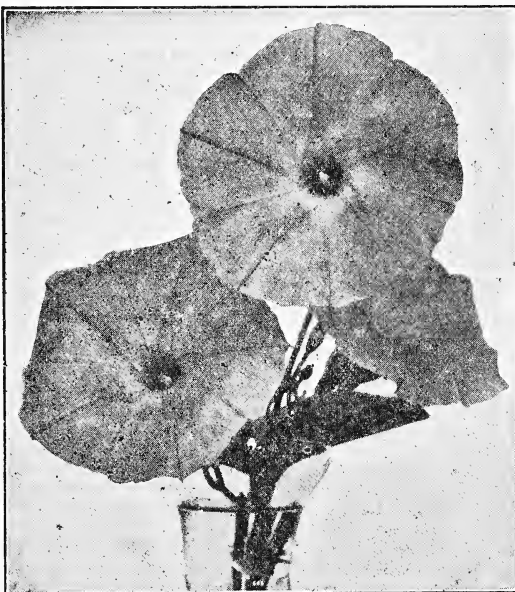
Brooklyn, N. Y., Apr. 12, 1926.

Gentlemen: Enclosed please find order for \$2.30 for the following flower seeds. Have had good results from your seed, especially the Zinnias, which were beautiful.

Yours truly,

ROBERT E. BENERLE,
609 Morgan Ave.

315 Climbing Mixture You surely get your money's worth, as it gives you about a dozen varieties for the price of one. Try a pkt. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 50c.



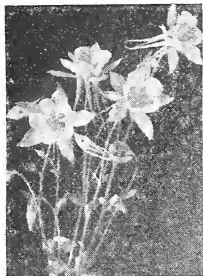
Morning Glory

\$1.00 316—**SPECIAL OFFER.** One packet each, 12 packets in all of the 12 varieties of Climbing Flowers as illustrated on this page, regular \$1.30 value postpaid to any address in the United States for \$1.00. **\$1.00**

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Hardy Perennial Flowers

Our Perennial Flower seeds are grown for us under contract by the most experienced growers in America and abroad. Every possible precaution has been made to make our perennial flower seeds the very best it is possible to produce. We are not endeavoring to compete with cheap seed freely offered. The varieties offered are the most satisfactory to be found.



Columbine

317 Aquilegia (Columbine) Popular

hardy perennials that bloom very freely during spring and early summer. These plants grow wild in the timbered country and are known to all the children as Honeysuckle. They come in a great variety of colors and are easily grown. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 50c; ½ oz., 90c.

318 Campanula or Canterbury Bell

Grand old-fashioned hardy flowers of easy culture, and one of the most attractive. Seeds planted this year will grow into large plants that will bloom freely next year. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 30c; ½ oz., 55c.

319 Candytuft *SEMPERVIRENS*. Extra fine for cemetery use, as the plants are a solid mass of white at just the time when flowers are most scarce. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 50c.

320 Coreopsis Lanceolata Large single golden yellow fringed flowers, on long wiry stems, fine for cutting. Bloom profusely in July and August. Perfectly hardy. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c.

321 Cornflower Aster (Stokesia)

Cyanea. This is not new, but is a rare and beautiful hardy perennial. The plant grows about 2 feet high, bearing from twenty to thirty handsome lavender-blue cornflower-like blossoms; in bloom from July till frost. One of the choicest subjects for the hardy border and indispensable for cutting. Pkt., 20c; ¼ oz., 40c; ½ oz., 75c.

322 Chinese Lantern Plant

Produces numerous large inflated husks, much the shape of Chinese lanterns; at first a beautiful green color, changing to a yellowish hue and then to brightest scarlet. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 35c; ½ oz., 65c; ¾ oz., \$1.20.

323 Alyssum *Alyssum Saxatile Compactum*. Gold Dust. Hardy, compact growth, producing a mass of golden yellow flowers in early spring. Of easy culture and much used in rockeries. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 30c.

324 Anchusa *Anchusa Italica*. Dropmore Variety. One of the most valuable of the recent introductions in hardy plants. The plants are very vigorous, the rough leaved stems growing to a height of five feet. The flowers are a beautiful, clear, bright blue, and are freely produced all summer, making a most striking plant in the hardy border. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 30c; ½ oz., 55c.

325 Anthemis Tinctoria. Golden

Marguerite. Pretty, hardy plant with finely divided leaves growing to a height of 2 to 3 ft. Bears throughout the summer, an abundance of long-stemmed, golden yellow, Daisy-like flowers. Excellent for cutting. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 45c.

326 Ampelopsis Veitchii-Boston Ivy. A small leaved hardy vine which clings closely to any wall or house forming a handsome covering of foliage. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c.

327 Anemone Coronaria, Popp

Anemone. Pleasing hardy plants, fine for herbaceous border or bed, 10 inches high. Mixed colors. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 60c.

328 Arabis *Alpena, flora plena-Rock Arabis*. Charming low growing very early spring flowering plant, splendid for edging or for the rockery. Double pure white flowers. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c.

329 Hardy Carnations A delightful class of fragrant hardy plants blooming profusely during May and June. They are indispensable for the hardy border and for cutting. It is advisable to protect them with a light covering of pine boughs or coarse straw during Winter. 1 to 2 ft. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 30c; ½ oz., 55c; ¾ oz., \$1.00.

330 Digitalis (Foxglove). Tall, stately spikes of flowers in white, pink, rose; some mottled. They make excellent cut-flowers for tall vases. Should be in every garden. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 30c; ½ oz., 55c.

331 Giant Mallow Marvels

(*Hibiscus*). Forms large clumps, 4 to 5 feet high, with immense single flowers, 6 to 8 inches across. Perfectly hardy, easily grown from seed. A mixture of white, pink and crimson. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c; ¾ oz., 80c.

332 Hollyhock Double Mixed. The perfect doubleness and large size of this magnificent flower will please the most critical. The seed has been saved from our own unrivaled collection of plants. All colors mixed. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c.

333 Hardy Baby's Breath (*Gypsophila*). Immense panicles of delicate white gauze-like flowers from June to August. Very desirable for mixing with other cut flowers. Perfectly hardy and easily grown. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 30c; ½ oz., 50c; ¾ oz., 90c.

CERASTIUM, Snow-in-Summer

334 Tomentosum A very attractive dwarf-growing perennial, very useful for edging, rockeries, or for carpeting dry sunny spots or for covering graves. It is covered with white flowers in June. Foliage, silvery. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 35c.

335 Double English

Daisies (*Bellis Perennis*). Low flowering perennials, indispensable for cool shady places. Seed started early in boxes should bloom the first year. Finest mixed varieties, including the large double Longfellow. Culture same as Pansies. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 50c; ½ oz., 95c; ¾ oz., \$1.80.



Anemone



Hollyhock



Hibiscus



Digitalis

336 Hardy Chrysanthemums (Ox Eye Daisy)

An exceptional mixture of the favorite fall flowers richly dressed in colors of crimson, pink, yellow, orange, all the intermediate shades and pure white. You will have mostly single flowers, but many double and semi-double, some with plain petals, others recurved and twisted in beautiful array. You will certainly be delighted with them. Pkt., 25c; 2 pkts., 40c; ¼ oz., 40c.

337 Hardy Lychnis

Excellent hardy plants, of easy culture, commonly known as Lamp Flower, Ragged Robin, etc. To obtain good flowers the first summer, sow the seed inside and transplant as early as possible. Fine old-fashioned flower. Two feet high, with heads of brilliant scarlet flowers, during spring and early summer. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 30c; ¼ oz., 55c.

338 Gaillardia 'GRANDIFLORA, Perennial Hybrids (Blanket Flower). Beautiful large flowers with yellow tips and crimson centers. Excellent for cutting. The plants grow 2 feet high. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ¼ oz., 45c; ½ oz., 85c.

339 Hardy Pinks

(Sweet May, Scotch or Clove). Every garden should contain a few clumps of these old favorites. Perfectly hardy, easily grown from seed. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 35c; ¼ oz., 60c; oz., \$2.00.

340 Myosotis or Forget-Me-Not

The hardy Forget-me-not delights in a moist, shady location. The pretty delicate blue flowers are freely produced in June and July. One of our most satisfactory hardy perennials for shady places. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 40c.

341 Hardy Lobelia

Tall-growing, hardy perennials with long spikes of brilliant flowers, unrivaled for permanent beds and borders. 2 to 4 ft. *Cardinalis* (Cardinal Flower). Scarlet. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., \$1.10.

342 Statice

(SEA LAVENDER). Splendid hardy perennials, either for the border or rockery, producing all summer panicles of minute flowers, which can be dried and used for winter bouquets. Mixed. Containing many sorts. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 40c.

343 Larkspur or Delphinium

GOLD MEDAL HYBRIDS (Hardy Perennial). Produce beautiful spikes of immense flowers, semi-double and double, from 2 to 3 feet in length. The colors are very beautiful, ranging from pure white through all the shades of lavender and blue, to deep purple. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 50c; ¼ oz., 85c.

344 Iceland Poppy

(Nudicaule). Plants are of graceful habit, with fern-like foliage, producing their brilliant flowers in profusion all summer. Height 18 inches. Mixed. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 30c; ¼ oz., 55c.

345 Oriental Poppy

Gorgeous, showy flowers, measuring 6 to 7 inches across, of dazzling, brilliant colors, mostly shades of red. Height 2 feet. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 40c.

346 Scabiosa (Blue Bonnet)

Caucasica. Perfecta. (2 ft. high. Lavender). There are few perennial flowers that are better for cutting than Scabiosa Caucasica. The flowers are a very beautiful shade of clear lavender. 2½ in. in diameter and borne on long stems that are most excellent for cutting. We know of no flower that is the same attractive shade of blue, nor one that lasts as long in water. The plants are hardy after once established and need no protection, preferring an open sunny situation. One packet sows 6 feet of row. Pkt., 25c; ¼ oz., 75c.

347 Sweet William (*Dianthus Barbatus*). For many years the Sweet William has been esteemed as one of the finest of our hardy biennial garden plants, being of easy culture and thriving in any good garden soil. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ¼ oz., 45c.

348 Peony Seed

Peony seed does not reproduce true to their parent, but produces different varieties of flowers, single, semi-double, and double. It is really worth while watching them from year to year, as many new varieties are produced in this way. Handle the seed in the same way Canna seed is treated, described on another page. Our peony seed comes from the plant of a Japanese specialist, and we think is the best peony seed produced by anybody. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 25c; oz., 45c; ¼ lb., \$1.50.

349 Hardy Phlox (Perennial)

No class of hardy plants is more desirable than the Perennial Phloxes. They will thrive in any position and be used to advantage in the hardy border, in large groups on the lawn, or planted in front of belts of shrubbery, where, by judicious pinching back and removing faded flowers, a constant succession of bloom may be had until frost. Pkt., 20c; ¼ oz., 75c; ¼ oz., \$1.40.

350 Shasta Daisy

(*Chrysanthemum maximum*). Our many friends would be surprised to see the enormous size of these large-flowering Shasta Daisies. The plants grow vigorously and are perfectly hardy. The large white flowers are borne in the greatest profusion. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 35c; ¼ oz., 65c; ½ oz., \$1.20.



Hardy Gaillardia

Williamford, Pa.,
Sept. 4, 1926.

Ransom Seed & N. Co.,
Geneva, O.

Gentlemen: Please send Garden Guide for which I enclose check for \$1.65. Those were some fine plants you folks shipped me in late spring, far better than what the nursery here sold us, and their price was double yours.

Yours truly,
HARRY L. PRICE,

709 Market St.

Roseburg, Oregon, March 22, 1926.

Gentlemen: Enclosed please find check for Japanese Barberry. You just sent me one dozen and they came in excellent condition. They were fine plants.

Yours truly,
MRS. W. F. CHAPMAN, Bx. 671.

Wadsworth, O., March 25, 1926.

Gentlemen: The apple and peach trees received today. They are all O. K. As good as other Companies are selling for double the price. Will send you an order about April 1st.

Yours truly,
J. H. ROAD,
274 Grandview Ave.

Waterford, Mich., May 11, 1926.

Ransom Seed & N. Co., Geneva, O.
Gentlemen: Received stock in good order, also wish to note the quality of stock was very good. Thank you.

Respectfully,
WALTER KUHN.

The More Permanent Things for Your Garden

The things you will wish to plant for a lasting effect in your garden are the bulbs, shrubs, roots, vines, roses and small fruits offered on the following pages. The following facts concerning the different kinds of stock, the different methods of handling all of it and the information available for those of you who wish it, will be found most interesting.

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Separate Departments

This stock is of a different nature from seeds with a few exceptions in bulbs and must be handled differently. Bulbs must not be allowed to freeze while in transit. Shrubs, vines, roses, and nursery stock must

be packed with damp moss around the roots, so cannot be shipped with seeds. You will receive your seeds shortly after ordering, bulbs, and other stock will come on when weather is right.

Have Your Orders Come by Parcel Post C. O. D.

The 1926 growing season has been the best in years, and our shrubs and nursery stock have made surprising growth. This means all our customers will benefit with the finest stock grown. On many items it is a hard proposition, as this catalog goes to press, to quote postpaid prices on as the stock is unusually heavy. Since the Parcel Post Zone system now applies to plants we cannot make a uniform charge. It will be seen that packages sent to customers who live nearby will not require postage at the rate of 8c per lb., while packages sent to the 7th and 8th zones will require more than 8c per lb. As it seems impossible to arrive at any uniform scale we advise

that customers (where we have not quoted postpaid in our catalog) have their parcel post packages sent C. O. D. for the amount of the postage. This not only fixes matters so that you just pay the actual cost of the postage, but it insures your package from loss in the mails, because your postmaster cannot collect the postage from you until he delivers the package. The cost is 10c for the C. O. D. and 3c for returning the money to us. We should also consider how much this helps the government, and it is the safe thing to do, as hundreds of packages are lost and stolen from the mails every year.

SEND IN YOUR ORDER NOW

Goods Sent C. O. D.

We recognize the fact that very few people are flush with money in these times and especially at the time of the year when this catalog reaches them, and it is not always convenient for them to send remittance with the order. This is why a good many put off ordering until the last minute, resulting in disappointment sometimes to themselves and a congestion of business for us. We recommend that when you receive this catalog, you look it over carefully, as

soon as possible, and order whatever you wish at the time, when it is fresh in your memory, sending us just one-fourth the total amount with the order and we will send the goods C. O. D. for the balance. We also send orders C. O. D. by express, when one-fourth amount is sent with order. The advantage of parcel post is that your order is delivered right to your door, while you have to go to the express office for the package unless you live within the delivery limits.

Nursery Guarantee

Our nurseries have been inspected by the State Inspector of Nurseries and all nursery stock found to be in a healthy condition—free from disease and insect pests. We guarantee all roots and plants sent out by us to be exactly as described in this catalog and true-to-name.

Every customer is entitled to receive, in good condition, sound, healthy stock. We will replace without charge any stock that does not reach the purchaser in good condition or that is not free from injurious insects or disease, provided we are notified within five days of arrival of the plants and such stock is heeled in and held subject to our disposal. Unless a customer reports within five days after receipt of plants it is understood that the plants arrived in a live and healthy condition. It is not our fault if later the plants fail. The life of a plant after it reaches the planter depends upon conditions over which we have no control.

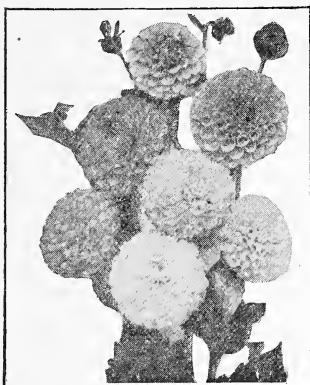
The chief causes of failure after nursery stock is received are: Drying out in the sun or wind or freezing in the cold; failure to properly prune the roots and tops; crowding the roots into small holes cut out of the sod; planting in worthless soil; the use of too much fertilizer or placing of manure or fertilizer in direct contact with the roots; failure to tramp the soil firmly about the roots; drains; dogs; pests; children; heat; cold; accidents; wrong locations; lack of moisture; and lack of proper care and attention. No fair-minded customer would ask for replacement when failure to grow is unquestionably due to such causes, but when the cause of failure is unknown and the customer reports such loss by August 1st following planting, we will replace such stock at one-half price.

Our methods of propagation and handling stock insure to the greatest extent the true labeling of our plants. It is mutually agreed, however, between the purchaser and ourselves that we are to be held liable for not more than the purchase price if any error should be made.

We absolutely protect the purchaser. Our guarantee is a guarantee that guarantees. It is a guarantee that will "hold water." It is more than idle talk. It means something. It is tangible, collectible assurance that you are spending your money wisely. There are no loopholes in this guarantee. It is in every way binding on us and means just what it says. It is the best protection to the planter that was ever offered by a responsible house. Demand this guarantee wherever and whenever you buy.

RANSOM SEED & NURSERY COMPANY

EXTRA FINE DAHLIAS



A. D. Livoni

The Dahlia is one of the showiest of all autumn flowers. For best results start roots early in house. Plant bulb six inches deep, flat down, having sprout or eye facing upward, cover with soil an inch or so, and cover in level with soil.

NOTE—All Dahlias are supplied in strong, divided field-grown roots.

In accordance with our established policy we have selected a few of the most beautiful varieties in the different types. We have found some varieties almost impossible to keep over winter and those kinds have been discarded.

	By mail, postpaid		
	Each	3 for	12 for
J. H. Jackson. (Cactus.) Blackish maroon, large....	25c	65c	\$2.50
Perle De Lyon. (Cactus.) Pure white, petals fringed	35c	85c	3.25
Golden Gate. (Cactus.) Rich golden yellow	35c	85c	3.25
Marjorie Castleton. (Cactus.) Clear rose pink	35c	85c	3.25
Maud Adams. (Show.) Pure white overlaid pink	50c	\$1.25	4.00
Storm King. (Show.) Snow white	25c	65c	2.50
Jack Rose. (Show.) Brilliant crimson red	25c	65c	2.50
A. D. Livoni. (Show.) Beautiful soft pink	25c	65c	2.50
Minnie McCullough. (Show.) Gold and red, fine....	35c	85c	3.25
Golden Queen. (Pompon.) Bright yellow	25c	65c	2.50
Lavender Queen. (Peony Flowered) Exquisite light lavender	35c	85c	3.25
Maurice Rivroire. (Collarette.) Crimson and white...	35c	85c	3.25

\$3.00

Postpaid

SPECIAL OFFER. We will mail postpaid one root each, 12 roots in all, of the above Dahlias regular \$3.85 value for \$3.00. Each variety labeled.

\$3.00

Postpaid

Ransom's Superb Dahlia Mixture

Made up of the best varieties, not discards. This mixture will give a wide range of color and will please the most exacting. 3 for 45c; 12 for \$1.50, postpaid.

GLADIOLUS

The Gladioli deserve a place in every garden, large or small, being of easiest possible culture. They make grand beds and the bulbs can be planted any time during Spring and early Summer.

From hundreds of varieties we offer the following as the choicest of their kind, all No. 1 bulbs, largest size, which will flower this summer.

	By mail, postpaid		
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Cracker Jack. Red spotted yellow maroon	10c	25c	90c
Halley. Delicate salmon pink	10c	25c	90c
Princes. Brilliant scarlet crimson, blotched white	15c	40c	1.40
War. Deep blood red, shaded crimson black	15c	40c	1.40
America. Soft lavender pink	8c	20c	.70
Myrtle. Delicate rose pink	15c	40c	1.40
Ruffled Glory. Salmon and crimson	15c	40c	1.40
Rose. Extra fine pure rose pink	10c	25c	90c
White King. Rich sulphur white ruffled	12c	30c	1.00
Golden Measure. Large dark golden yellow	20c	50c	1.75
Herada. Deep lilac and soft primrose throat	12c	30c	1.00
Alice Tiplady. (Primulinus type) Brilliant orange salmon, extra fine	15c	40c	1.40

SPECIAL OFFER

We will mail postpaid separately labeled 3 bulbs of each of the above 12 fine varieties of Gladiolus for \$3.00. Regular \$4.05 value. 6 bulbs of each, 72 bulbs in all, for \$5.00, regular \$7.15 value.

Superfine Mixed Gladiolus Bulbs

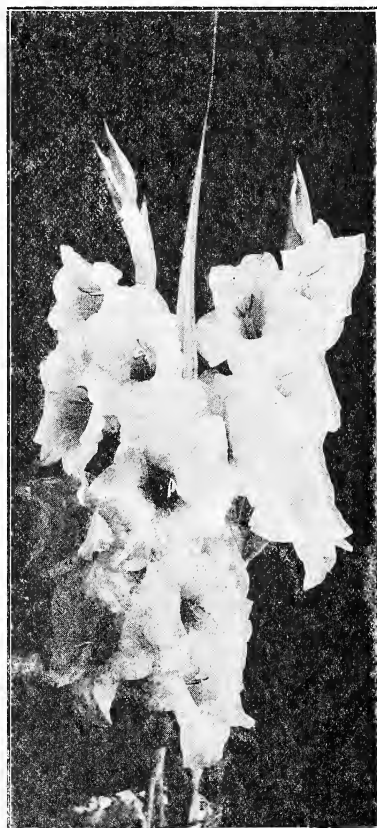
Please note our mixed gladiolus contain also the Primulinus Hybrids in a wide range of color.

To those who want a choice assortment of Gladioli, at a nominal expense, and do not care for the named varieties, we recommend our Superfine Mixture.

Large Size In size from 1¼ to 1½ inch and up in diameter, every bulb guaranteed to produce a fine large spike of flowers this year. 12 for 45c; 50 for \$1.50; 100 for \$2.75; 500 for \$12.00, prepaid.

Medium Size Size about ¾ to 1 inch in diameter. Healthy young bulbs, every one guaranteed to produce a nice spike, but not quite as large as the first size. 12 for 30c; 50 for \$1.00; 100 for \$1.75; 500 for \$8.00, postpaid.

NOTE—Order in quantities of 100 to 500. Plant at intervals from April to first of July, and you can have a continual supply of these grand flowers to decorate your home from July to October, at a nominal expense.



White King

ALL DAHLIA BULBS OFFERED WILL BLOOM FIRST YEAR

Large Flowering Cannas



Hardy Day Lilies

HARDY PERENNIAL PLANTS

It is nice to have flowering plants which come up year after year without replanting. These can be used to best advantage in groups and beds on the lawn, as borders for drives or walks, and in front of shrubbery with fine effect. Plant perennials in spring or fall with equal results. The kinds we offer are the hardiest, and will not die after blooming once. In this respect our list may differ from other catalogs for many varieties are listed as perennials which are really biennials (plants which die the second year). The stock offered is strong field grown.

ACHILLEA

Boule De Neige (Ball of Snow). (D) An improvement on The Pearl; the flowers are of more perfect form, with fuller centers, which makes it appear purer in color. A valuable plant for the hardy border and for cutting. 25c each; 3 for 60c; \$2.25 per doz., postpaid.

ASTERS, HARDY (Michaelmas Daisies)
St. Egwin Dense and bushy and blooms from the ground up to the top of the plant. Delicate pink color. 25c each; 3 for 60c; \$2.25 per doz., postpaid.

HELIANTHUS (Hardy Sunflower)

Hardy, perennial Sunflowers flourish splendidly in any garden city or country. They are a beautiful race of sturdy, showy plants, invaluable for cutting, as they last so long in water.

Multiflorus Plenus (Dahlia Sunflower)

August-September. Double yellow. 25c each; 3 for 60c; \$2.25 per doz., postpaid.

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King Humbert. Bronze foliage, orange scarlet. 4 ft.	25c	50c	\$1.75	\$3.25
Queen Helen. Bronze foliage, yellow. 4 ft.	25c	50c	1.75	3.25
Eureka. Finest pure white. 4½ ft.	25c	50c	1.75	3.25
Hungaria. Finest pink. 3½ to 4 ft.	25c	50c	1.75	3.25
Wyoming. Bronze and orchid flowered. Rich orange. 7 ft. Fine	30c	60c	2.00	3.50

Set of one each of above Cannas for 75c, postpaid.

Set of three each of above five Cannas for \$2.00, postpaid.

Set of six each of the above five Cannas for \$3.75, postpaid.

Mixed Large Flowering Cannas Every season we mix a splendid assortment of new and standard Cannas for those of our customers who wish several varieties, without the expense of ordering named sorts, which we offer (our selection) at the very low price of, 3 for 25c; doz., 90c; 25 for \$1.70, postpaid.

HEMEROCALLIS

Hardy Day Lilies The tall, graceful, grass-like foliage is very handsome and sets off the charming, lily-like flowers very effectively. They look well naturalized along streams and will thrive most luxuriantly in partial shade. So hardy they need no winter protection in the severest climates. For massing in the hardy border with other varieties of plants and shrubs it is unrivaled. **Fulva.** Coppery orange crimson flowers, 3 feet high, in July. Plant in spring or fall. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.25, postpaid. By express, \$10.00 per 100.

LYCHNIS (Campion)

All of the Lychnis are of the easiest culture, thriving in any soil and this, in addition to their brightness, has brought them into high favor with lovers of hardy plants.

Viscaria Forms a dense tuft of evergreen foliage, and in June sends up spikes of handsome, double deep red flowers; 1 foot. 30c each; 3 for 75c; doz. for \$2.75, postpaid. By express, \$17.00 per 100.

Chelone (Shell Flower) Handsome perennial growing about two feet high, and bearing numerous spikes of large flower heads, summer and fall. **LYONI.** Heads of showy purplish-red flowers. 30c each; 3 for 75c; \$2.75 per doz., postpaid.

Funkia, Undulata Variegata (Plantain Lily). (Day Lily). The Plantain Lilies are among the easiest to manage; their broad, massive foliage makes them an attractive subject for the border even when not in bloom. Succeed equally well in sun or shade. Foliage variegated and flowers are blue. 25c each; 3 for 60c; \$2.25 per doz., postpaid.

Crimson Show Lily (Speciosum Melpomene). The flowers are of a rich carmine-crimson spotted with blood-red and narrowly edged with white. It bears its flowers in clusters of from 2 to 10. The flowers are 4 to 6 inches in diameter; 2 to 4 feet tall. Fragrant, blooming during August and September. 50c each; 3 for \$1.30; 6 for \$2.45; doz., \$4.50, postpaid.

Pinks, Hardy Garden Often called Sweet May or Scotch Pinks. Our plants are grown from the very choicest double seed. Flowers are clove scented and blossom profusely all summer. **ESSEX WITCH.** Delicate pink, finely fringed. 30c each; 3 for 75c; \$2.50 per doz., postpaid.

Poppy, Oriental Nothing can equal these Poppies during their period of flowering for a gorgeous display of a rich, brilliant coloring. 30c each; 3 for 75c; \$2.50 per doz., postpaid.

PRIMULA (Hardy Primrose)

One of the first of the early spring flowers. They delight in a rich soil, preferably in a semi-shaded location. Some of the varieties are richly colored, and are worthy of a place in every hardy garden. As a hardy border edging, as well as for rockery planting, it can be highly recommended.

Veris (English Cowslip) A mixture comprising the various shades of red and yellow; a splendid plant for the spring blooming garden. 25c each; 3 for 60c; \$2.25 per doz., postpaid.

Pyrethrum (Insect Powder Plant) A fine showy plant bearing a profusion of large daisy-like flowers. The color range has been greatly improved within late years and our strain includes some lovely shades of rose, pink, and red, also white. Pyrethrum is perfectly hardy and makes a well-rounded plant about 2 feet tall. The flowers are excellent for cutting because of their long stems, and they last a long time in water. Blooms during May and June. 30c each; 3 for 75c; doz. for \$2.75, postpaid. By express, \$18.00 per 100.

Rudbeckia, Purpurea (Giant Purple Coneflower). Peculiar reddish-purple flowers, with a very large, brown, cone-shaped center. July to October. 3 ft. 20c each; 3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75, postpaid. By express, \$10.00 per 100.

SALVIA (Meadow-Sage)

Perennials with strikingly beautiful, orchid-like bloom, that make them welcome in the herbaceous border. Leaves are used in medicine and for the kitchen.

Pitcheri Similar to Azurea but of more branching habit and larger flowers of rich Gentian blue; 3 to 4 feet. 30c each; 3 for 75c; \$2.50 per doz., postpaid.

VERONICA (Speedwell)

Longifolia Subsessilis (Japanese Speedwell). This is destined to create as much furore in the flower world as did the Golden Glow. It is the handsomest blue-flowered plant we know of, growing to a height of two feet and completely studded with its spikes of blue flowers. Its flowers are fine for cutting. It is perfectly hardy and increases in strength and in beauty each succeeding year. It makes the best blue-flowered hardy border plant obtainable; 2 feet; August to October. 30c each; 3 for 75c; doz. for \$2.75, postpaid. By express, \$18.00 per 100.

Japanese Spurge (*Pachysandra Terminalis*). This is one of the few broad leaved evergreen vines that thrive in the north. The plant has thick glossy green foliage, which remains on the plant the entire year. Grows about 6 inches high, and soon spreads out and forms a dense ground cover. Thrives in shady locations and the only plant which will thrive under pine trees. Makes a fine low edging plant, and will do just as well in the sun. Strong two year transplanted field grown plants 30c each; 3 for 75c; doz. for \$2.75; 25 for \$5.00, postpaid. By express, 25 for \$4.50; 50 for \$8.00; 100 for \$15.00.

Sedum, Spectabile One of the prettiest erect growing species, attaining a height of 18 inches with broad, light foliage and immense heads of handsome, showy rose-colored flowers. Useful and pretty in borders and for massing. Late Summer and Fall. Does well in sun. 25c each; 3 for 60c; \$2.25 per doz., postpaid.

Lily of the Valley Very small and sweet and dainty, the creamy white escalloped bells pendant along slender stems. They make up (with their broad shiny leaves) into dainty bouquets of fragrance. They spread active from the roots and soon reclaim shaded cold ; d which otherwise would be cheerless and barren. 25c each; 3 for 60c; \$2.25 per doz., postpaid.

YUCCA filamentosa variegata

Forms a mass of broad sword-like, evergreen foliage broadly margined creamy white; flowers creamy white, bell shaped, branching from a large flower stem four feet high. June and July. Hardy as an oak. Makes an odd winter pot plant. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; \$7.00 per doz., postpaid.

Regal Lily (*Lilium Myriophyllum*). A new and rare lily from China. The flowers are white, shading to yellow in the center, with a pink tinge on the outer edges. A strong grower, some 3 or 4 feet high. It is deliciously scented, and perfectly hardy. 65c each; 3 for \$1.75; 12 for \$6.00, postpaid.

TITUS, The Hen Man

POPLAR RIDGE POULTRY FARM

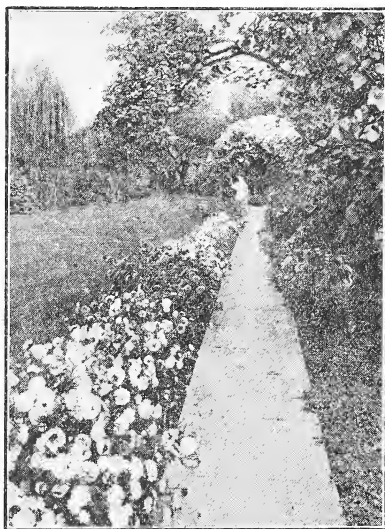
Straight Barron Leghorns from Imported Stock

Poplar Ridge, N. Y., Feb. 25, 1926.

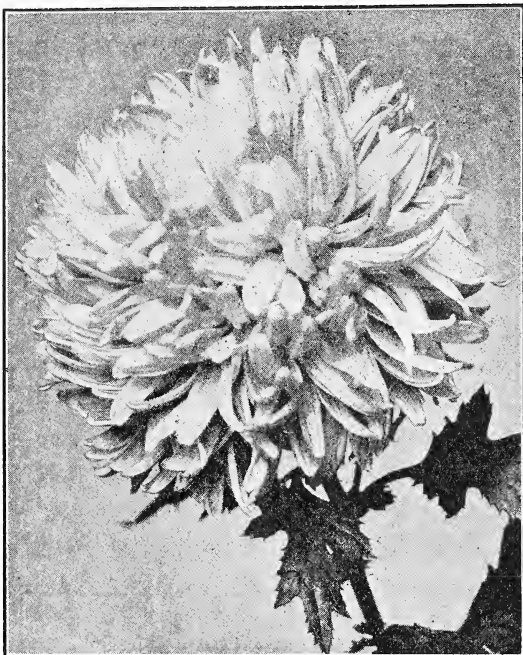
Ransom Seed and Nursery Co., Geneva, O.

Dear Sirs: Please find enclosed \$2.25 for which send me by Parcel Post, 250 Early Ozark Strawberry plants, send them the latter part of April, as it is pretty cold up here. I never had any better plants than you sent me last year. I have three rows without a skip.

Yours sincerely,
J. A. TITUS.



Perennial Border



Chrysanthemum—Victory

HARDY CHRYSANTHEMUMS

This is the flower above all others that gladdens your heart when your garden is growing bare. The inclusion of Hardy Chrysanthemums in your plantings makes it possible to have the garden bright with flowers after the majority of hardy herbaceous flowers are past. They are also valuable for cut flowers. The varieties offered below have been carefully selected and will give a flowering period of two months, from the middle of September until the middle of November.

PLANT HARDY CHRYSANTHEMUMS IN SPRING ONLY

	By mail, postpaid Ea. 3 for 12 for			
Hardy Eve. Dwarf pink	25c	60c	\$2.00	
Indian Chief. Coppery red, shaded brilliant crimson ...	20c	50c	1.75	
Golden Queen. Large yellow..	30c	75c	2.50	
Victory. Snowy white, like a big double white aster.....	20c	50c	1.75	
Little Bob. Bronze Button ...	20c	50c	1.75	
Autumn Glow. Rich crimson .	25c	60c	2.00	
Set of 6 not labeled, \$1.00, postpaid; labeled, \$1.20, postpaid				

Cresson, Pa., Aug. 30th, 1926.

Ransom Seed & N. Co., Geneva, O.

Gentlemen: Received berries. They were very nice. They are all growing but two. I think that is fine. I thank you for such fine ones.

Yours truly,
JOS BANNAN, Box 29.

LOVELY IRISES

INVALUABLE FOR THE HERBACEOUS BORDER

The Iris is a magnificent hardy perennial, in fact as hardy as the oak. They flower during a long period of time, and require practically no care; they grow in practically any kind of soil; they are inexpensive, and have the most beautiful and gorgeous colorings, which gives them a charm not possessed by any other flower. Irises love sunshine and with few exceptions should be planted in dry soil.

We ship only strong plants and sound bulbs, true to name. Every plant separately labeled.

PLANT IRISES SPRING, SUMMER OR FALL

The Irises listed below are some of the best, all are vigorous growers, and every flower has a color all its own.

	By mail, postpaid Ea. 3 for 12 for 25 for			
Aika. Whitish lavender veiled deep lavender	25c	50c	\$1.75	\$3.00
Albert Victor. Soft blue lavender	25c	50c	1.75	3.00
Arnolds. Brown and purple variegated white	25c	50c	1.75	3.00
Asseurens. Fine pink lavender.	20c	40c	1.50	2.50
Black Knight. Deep velvety purple	20c	40c	1.50	2.50
Blue Jay. Clear as blue can be	20c	40c	1.50	2.50
Britticanus. Brownish lavender striped white	20c	40c	1.50	2.50
Bridesmaid. Lavender and white	20c	40c	1.50	2.50
Bronze Beauty. Variegated yel- low and purple	20c	40c	1.50	2.50
Beauty. White and pansy purple	20c	40c	1.50	2.50
Candelabra. Black purple, veined white	25c	50c	1.50	2.50
Clarissima. Variegated red- dish purple	25c	50c	1.50	2.50
Charmant. White splashed purple	20c	40c	1.50	2.50
Celeste. Pale azure blue	25c	50c	1.75	3.00
Chelles. Gold and purple	20c	40c	1.50	2.50
Caprice. Reddish purple	25c	50c	1.75	3.00
Cottage Maid. White and violet	20c	40c	1.50	2.50
Fairy. White and blue	35c	70c	2.50	4.00
Helga (Dwarf). Lemon yellow, pearl shadings	25c	50c	1.75	3.00
Hugo. Wonderful petunia violet	35c	70c	2.50	4.00
Maroma. Dull sulphur fawn..	35c	70c	2.50	4.00
Mrs. Allen Grey. Beautiful light pink	35c	70c	2.50	4.00
Mrs. H. Darwin. White veined violet	25c	50c	1.75	3.00
Monsignor. Violet and purple.	25c	50c	1.75	3.00
Mme. Chereau. White, blue border, fine	20c	40c	1.50	2.50
Nokomis. Lavender and violet blue	25c	50c	1.75	3.00
Pare De Neuilly. Light claret purple	25c	50c	1.75	3.00
Queen of May. Soft rose lilac..	20c	40c	1.50	2.50
Orange Queen. Fine golden yellow	25c	50c	1.75	3.00
Wyomissing. White and rose, fine	25c	50c	1.75	3.00

SPECIAL OFFER We will mail postpaid separately labeled one root of each of the above 30 varieties of choice Irises, regular \$7.30 value for \$6.00, or 3 roots of each regular \$14.70 value for \$11.00.

IRISES FOR FLOWER GROWERS

Many of our customers operate flower gardens of different kinds, and we will now give everyone a chance to get started growing at very small expense. They will pay as well for the time and small amount of land used as almost any crop you can grow, and the demand is steadily increasing.

5 each of 10 Modern Varieties. \$3.50
 25 each of 10 Modern Varieties. 15.00 Shipped by
 5 each of 20 Modern Varieties. 7.00 parcel post
 25 each of 20 Modern Varieties. 28.00 or express
 5 each of 30 Modern Varieties. 9.00 collect.
 25 each of 30 Modern Varieties. 35.00

Each collection will cover a wide range of color, and will all be good standard popular varieties of our selection, all tied separately and labeled true to name. Customers cannot pick varieties at these prices.

MIXED BEARDED IRISES

These come in wonderful shades of colors including many new seedlings. We are also making a rock bottom price on these. Order a collection today, you will never regret it. Delivery spring, summer or fall. 20 plants for \$1.00; 30 plants for \$1.40; 50 plants for \$2.00; 100 plants, \$3.75; 200 plants, \$6.00. These all shipped postage or express collect.

IRIS COLLECTIONS

We will mail 15 strong plants of Bearded, Japanese, Siberian, and Pseudacorus Iris in ten distinct varieties, our selection of varieties not labeled for \$1.00; 30 for \$1.75; 50 for \$3.00, shipped postage collect. If labeled add 50c extra to any of above, and so specify on your order. Postal charges will be trifling on these. We have made a rock bottom price in order that almost anyone who wants to can enjoy these wonderful flowers.

Siberian Iris ORIENTALS. The most delicate and graceful of all the hardy iris. Forms large clumps with a multitude of tall flower spikes of the most beautiful flowers. Yale Blue. 25c each; 3 for 60c; doz., \$2.50, postpaid.

Spanish Bayonet Hardy flowering evergreen plants of great beauty. This plant is so unusual, and so strikingly effective, either when planted alone or in combination with evergreens or irises, that it attracts attention on the humblest lawn, and is worthy of a place in the most pretentious garden. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; dozen, \$4.00, postpaid.

Iris Pseudacorus Similar in type to the Siberian Iris but may be planted where water habitually stands or in a dry place. May-June. Golden yellow. 25c each; 12 for \$2.50, postpaid.

12 WONDERFUL PEONIES \$5.00

Full size plants, selected from regular stock, grown by a peony specialist.

You will be pleased with the wonderful range of color in this collection.

All peonies are standard divisions of 2 to 5 eyes.

Shipped postage collect.

HARDY PHLOX

No one thinks of having a garden without its glory of phlox in midsummer. There are literally hundreds of varieties, from which we have selected the following. Phlox will thrive in any ordinary garden soil.

PLANT IN SPRING OR FALL

Beacon—Finest red Phlox.

Bridesmaid—Pure white, crimson eye.

Mrs. Jenkins—Wonderful tall, pure white.

Pantheon—A peerless pink.

Prof. Virchow—Brilliant carmine, overlaid with orange scarlet.

R. P. Struthers—Rich flame color. Will not fade.

Any of the Phlox noted above 25c each; \$2.50 per 12, postpaid.

Fremont, O., March 3, 1926.

Ransom Seed & N. Co., Geneva, O.

Gentlemen: Please send me one of your 1926 catalogs. I ordered seeds from you last spring and would like to order again, as I was well pleased with my purchase of last year.

Yours truly,

MRS. M. D. CURLIS, R. D. No. 6.

Hampstead, N. H., Aug. 4, 1926.

Ransom Seed & N. Co., Geneva, O.

Gentlemen: I sent for your 1926 seed catalog the first of this year, and ordered some of your vegetable seeds. They came up good, and have done fine. Enclosed find order for the following.

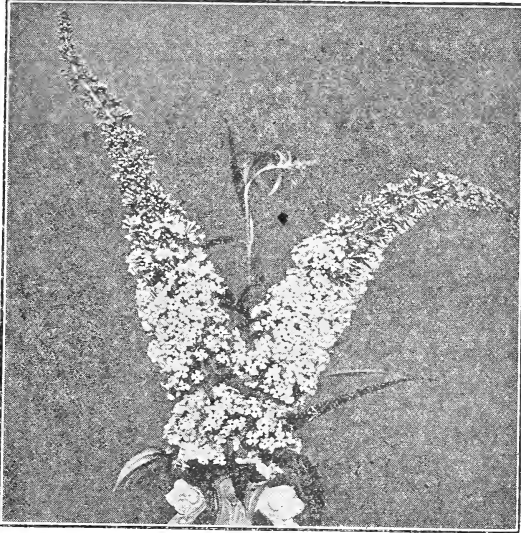
Yours truly,

ANNIE W. EASTMAN.



Irises in Border

Hardy Flowering Shrubs



Butterfly Bush

They are absolutely hardy and once planted, last indefinitely increasing in size and beauty year after year and lasting a lifetime. They supply that something which is lacking in every yard where hardy shrubbery is not planted. We recommend a liberal planting of this class of plants; they increase the value of the property, make the home more attractive—life worth living—giving satisfaction and contentment that nothing else can.

Please do not confuse our prices with greenhouse or seedling stock which can be sold cheap. The stock we offer is all field grown transplanted, with heavy roots and is all two, three and four years old, depending upon the size. The stock is the best we have ever had.

Althea (Rose of Sharon). Beautiful shrub blooming late in August and September with a profusion of large and brightly colored flowers much like the Hibiscus in form. They attain 10 to 12 feet in height and make attractive specimens. Foliage particularly pleasing. Planted more compactly and occasionally pruned, are both serviceable and showy as hedges. Double, white and pink. 2-year 18-24 inch, 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.00, postpaid.

Almond, Flowering (Amygdalus). This beautiful shrub is one of the loveliest. The flowers are borne on its slender branches during May, and are very fragrant. Double-flowering; white. Strong 2 year plants, \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.75, postpaid. By express, 12 for \$7.00.

Deutzia Pride of Rochester. Showy Japanese shrubs of the highest ornamental merit, and adapted to all good soils. Their clean foliage, upright dense growth, free flowering nature, renders them especially valuable. Double bluish white flowers in clusters along the branches in July. 2 year 18-24 inch, 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.00, postpaid. 3 year 24-36 inch, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$6.00, postage or express collect.

Golden Elder One of the best yellow foliage shrubs. Bears small fragrant white flowers in early summer, followed by clusters of black berries. 3 year 18-24 inch, 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$5.00, postpaid.

Forsythia (Golden Bell). Small, bell-shaped, beautiful, bright yellow flowers appear in early spring before the leaves on this pretty shrub. One of the best and earliest shrubs grown, hardy, good grower and a profuse bloomer. Thrives in any locality. This is the shrub so many admirers seek for the name in early spring. 2 year 18-24 inch, 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.00, postpaid. 3 year 24-36 inch, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$6.00, postage or express collect.

Everblooming Butterfly Bush (*Buddleia variabilis magnifica*). Produces masses of bloom the first season it is set out, even the one-year plants. Its freedom of bloom, ease of culture, attractive deep violet-rose color and delightful fragrance create a demand for it everywhere. It gets its name of "Butterfly Shrub" on account of the number of butterflies always hovering over the flowers. 2 year roots (stock cut back when shipped), 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.00, postpaid.

Bush Honeysuckle *Lonicera Tartarica*. 4 to 6 feet. Neat habit, glossy green foliage, and pretty little pink flowers in pairs ("Twin Honeysuckle"), followed by red berries. 3 year 18-24 inch, 65c each; 3 for \$1.60; 12 for \$5.50, postpaid.

Mock Orange or Syringa (*Philadelphus*). One of the very best of the old well-known shrubs. It seldom or never fails to bloom. The fragrant and beautiful waxy white flowers appear in great profusion in June. In shape and fragrance they resemble orange blossoms. Height 6 to 8 feet. 2 year 18-24 inch, 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.00, postpaid. 3 year 24-36 inch, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$6.00, postage or express collect.

Philadelphus, *AUREA* (Golden Mock Orange). Desirable for edging because of its showy golden foliage and dwarf nature. Best golden leaved shrub. 2 year 12-18 inch, 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.00, postpaid.

Cornus Siberica (Red Winter Dogwood). A sturdy upright shrub growing six to ten feet high and of especial value for screening unsightly views. Cream colored flowers in numerous flat clusters are followed by berry-like fruits of palest blue. The bark of the new shoots is a rich intense red, giving a warm and brilliant effect in winter. 2 year 18-24 inch, 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.00, postpaid.

Common Snowball *Viburnum Opulus*. An old well-known and popular large growing shrub. Covered in May and June with great snow-white balls. Strong 3 year 18-24 inch plants, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$7.00, postpaid.

Zanesville, O., April 13, 1926.

Gentlemen: Enclosed find check for 100 strawberry plants. Received my seeds and surely the finest Iris I ever saw sent from any Company. Certainly were more than pleased.

Yours truly,

HILDA FRICK, R. 5.

New Hydrangea "HILLS OF SNOW." One of the Most Magnificent everblooming hardy shrubs. Immense snow-white panicles of blooms, literally covering the bush. Absolutely hardy, standing 20 degrees below zero without injury. Its long season from early June, through September, renders it doubly valuable as there is no shrub so grandly decorative. 2 year bushy 12-18 inch, 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.00, postpaid.

Hydrangea Paniculata Grandiflora

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Common Purple Lilac (*S. vulgaris*). 8 to 10 ft. May. This is the oldest and best known type of the Lilac. From it have sprung most of the hybrids and seedling varieties which have made the Lilac as a class one of our most popular modern shrubs. Strong 2 year plants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.60; 12 for \$5.40, postpaid.

WEIGELA, Diervilla

The Weigela is a strong growing shrub, erect while young, gradually spreading and drooping into most graceful shapes with age. Its flowers, large and trumpet-shaped, are borne in clusters thickly along the branches. Blooms soon after Lilac.

Rosea Variegata Leaves light green heavily variegated with a creamy yellow, making a charming effect, but it's beautiful when its myriads of long, tubular, rose-colored blossoms are out. 2 year 18-30 inches, heavily branched, 65c each; 3 for \$1.60; 12 for \$5.50, postpaid.

Rosea Hardy and very free-flowering variety that grows to about 6 feet in height; in May the unusual showing of rose-colored flowers makes it a conspicuous part of the general planting scheme. Considered one of the finest of the Weigelas. Strong 2 year plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz. for \$4.00, postpaid. Large 3 year 4 to 5 ft. heavy, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz. for \$7.00 by express or postage collect.

SNOWBERRY Symphoricarpus

White Snowberry A perfectly hardy shrub from two to three feet high, excellent for massing in the lower parts of a bed or border. The rose-colored flowers appear in loose, often leafy racemes in July and August. The white waxy-like berries remain on until late in the autumn. Strong 2 year 18-24 inch, 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.00, postpaid.

Red Snowberry (Coral Berry), (*Vulgaris*). A rather compact bush valuable because of its abundant and persistent fruit and foliage. Strong 2 year 18-24 inch, 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.00, postpaid. Heavy 3 year 24-36 inch, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$6.00, postpaid.

Mountain Ash Hardy tree. Head dense and regular; beautiful fern-like, green foliage; covered from July till Winter with clusters of bright red berries. The combination of foliage and clustered fruit makes this one of the most striking and beautiful trees that grow. 4 to 5 ft. \$1.00 each; 6 to 8 ft. \$1.50 each; express or postage collect.

New Variegated Red Snowberry Here is a new type of Snowberry with beautiful variegated narrow leaves, the prettiest thing imaginable. This is not of our growing, but we ran onto it recently while at the grounds of probably the leading ornamental shrub propagator of this country. We liked it so well we purchased every plant available, and offer it to our customers with the full assurance it will please them. Massed with evergreens or other shrubs it cannot be excelled. Strong 2 year plants, 18-24 inches high, 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz. for \$4.00, postpaid. It grows rapidly and is perfectly hardy.

Sumac Rhus STAGHORN (*Typhina*). This variety grows in the driest soils and is a very desirable plant on account of its brilliant fall coloring which in dry locations, begins to show in August. The crimson fruits remain on all winter. 2 year 2-3 feet, 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$5.50, postage collect.

Kalmia MOUNTAIN LAUREL. The finest and most popular evergreen shrub. Perfectly hardy everywhere. Has thick shiny foliage, and clusters of pink and white flowers in June. Plant in dry shade or partial sun, or under lawn trees. Shipped balled and burlapped by express. 12-18 inches, \$1.50 each; \$12.00 per 10; 2 feet, \$2.50 each; \$22.50 per 10.

Hardy Climbing Vines

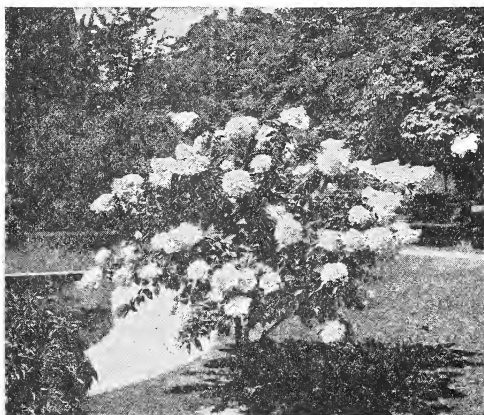
ALL VINES ARE 2 YEAR FIELD GROWN

Ampelopsis Veitchii (Japan or Boston Ivy). Popular hardy climbing vine that clings to and completely covers any brick or stone wall. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$7.00, postpaid.

Clematis (*Paniculata* or *Snowbank*). Sweet-scented Japanese Clematis. Completely covered in September with a mantle of pure snow-white fragrant flowers. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.00, postpaid.

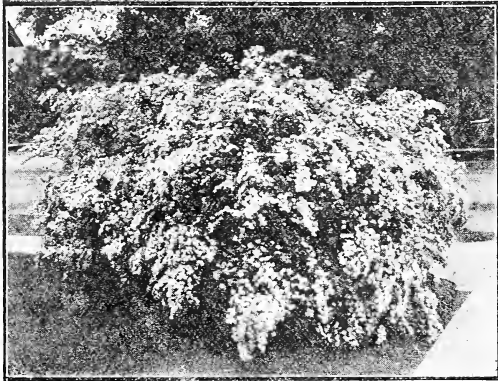
Chinese Wistaria One of the most rapid growing of all the climbing vines. It grows from 15 to 20 feet in a season. Has long, pendulous clusters of pale blue flowers in May or June, and sometimes in Autumn. 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$5.00, postpaid.

Honeysuckle (*Hall's Japan*). An almost evergreen Honeysuckle of the greatest value, being hardy and of strong growth. The flowers are fragrant, of a pure white, changing to yellow, resembling a Cape Jasmine in odor. May to December. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.00, postpaid.



Hydrangea P. G.

The Spireas



Spirea Van Houttei

The Spireas

There is no more dependable shrub than Spirea. Its graceful foliage and growth and the beautiful blossoms are a delight the season through.

A selection of varieties, planted in masses or rows will assure continuous bloom to the end of summer. The early fall frosts touch the leaves with scarlet, which harmonizes beautifully with the surrounding colors of the fall plants.

Our stock of spirea is unusually good this year and we have anticipated a large sale of this most desirable shrub. Tell us the effect you want to produce and we will advise kinds.

Anthony Waterer (New Crimson Spirea). It outshines all the Spireas in brilliancy of color; a bright crimson. It makes a low, compact bush 18 inches high, and is covered nearly the whole growing season with large umbels of deep crimson flowers. Strong well rooted 2 year plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz. for \$4.00, postpaid. Heavy 3 year 18 to 24 inch stock 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz. for \$7.00, postage collect.

Spirea, Aurea A beautiful upright grower with a bright yellow foliage changing to a bronze in the Fall. A very striking variety when planted with other shrubs. Strong 2 year, 24 inch plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz. for \$4.00, postpaid. Heavy 3 year for immediate effect, 24 to 30 inch, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz. for \$7.00, by express.

Spirea, Thunbergii (Snow Garland). This variety is spreading in growth with arching slender branches that are a perfect mass of minute pure white flowers followed with exceptionally delicate, yellowish-green foliage. For edging purposes it has few equals. Fine 2 year well rooted 18 to 24 inch plants 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz. for \$7.00, postpaid.

Spirea Van Houttei One of the most beautiful shrubs in the entire collection. Very largely used in all landscape work. Will fit in anywhere where graceful effect is desired. For ornamental hedges, in clumps with other shrubs, for borders in front of porch, or as single specimens it is always satisfactory. Strong 2 year plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz. for \$4.00, postpaid.

Spirea Douglasi A beautiful upright grower, with narrow oblong leaves, bearing spikes of deep rose colored flowers in July. Grows 7 feet high. This is a Spirea which would be more widely planted if people just realized what an attractive shrub it is. Fine well rooted 2 year plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz. for \$4.00, postpaid.

Spirea, Billardi Narrow, dense shrub, 5 to 6 feet tall with dark leaves and brightened by corymbs of pretty rich pink flowers in July and August and in fall. Heavy 2 year 18-24 inch plants, 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; \$4.00 per doz., postpaid.

Greenville, S. C., March 29, 1926.

Ransom Seed & N. Co., Geneva, O.

Gentlemen: The dozen red dogwood arrived in good condition and am very much pleased with them.

I am on the park tree commission of our city. I would like to get your nursery catalog for next fall planting.

Yours truly,

MRS. DAVID FURMAN.
412 Crescent Ave.

Small Evergreens for Transplanting

The seedlings are not recommended for immediate use, but to bed down and grow on. They should be handled by simply placing in beds 4 feet wide and as long as you wish. The beds to be covered with lath shade spaced one inch apart. Plant 3 inches apart in the row, and rows 4 inches apart. Handeled in this manner for one year they will be ready to be lined out in the field. This makes a cheap way to grow young evergreens.

We grow only the desirable species, which are thrifty, very hardy and in largest demand.

TWO-YEAR SEEDLINGS FROM BEDS NOT TRANSPLANTED

	Size	Shipped postage collect			
		25	100	250	1000
Norway Spruce. Xmas Tree	2-3 inch	\$1.00	\$2.25	\$ 5.00	\$17.00
Colorado Blue Spruce	3-4 "	2.50	9.00	12.00	70.00
Mugho Dwarf Mountain Pine	3-4 "	2.25	8.00	17.50	60.00
American Arbor Vitae	3-4 "	1.75	6.00	12.50	40.00

The above 4 kinds are easily handled as seedlings.

TRANSPLANTED STOCK, HARDY SPECIES 2, 3 AND 4 YEARS OLD, READY TO GROW FAST

	Size		Shipped postage collect		
			25	50	100
Virginia Red Cedar	4-6 inch	X	\$4.50	\$ 8.50	\$16.00
Norway Spruce	4-6 "	X	3.00	5.50	10.00
Colorado Blue Spruce	4-6 "	X	6.75	13.00	25.00
Mugho Dwarf Pine	3-4 "	X	6.75	13.00	25.00
Ponderosa Pine	2-3 "	X	2.50	4.50	8.00
American Arbor Vitae	4-6 "	X	3.00	5.50	10.00

Evergreens are packed in damp moss, will reach you in perfect condition and are not heavy on stock listed above.

HEDGES WILL INCREASE THE VALUE OF YOUR PROPERTY

Ornamental Hedge Plants

BARBERRY, JAPANESE

NOTE.—This is not the Common Barberry and can be planted anywhere without danger of being destroyed by the Government.

Berberis Thunbergii We consider the Japanese Barberry the best hedge plant in existence. It is beautiful throughout the year; its abundant crop of bright red berries makes it even more attractive in the winter than the summer. Its compact growth and thorny branches make a defense hedge that will turn cattle after five years' growth. As an untrimmed hedge it requires no attention except an occasional cutting of a few straggling branches. The natural growth is so dense and even that it forms a perfect hedge without shearing, but if a formal hedge is desired, it can be made so by shearing; hardy, of easy culture, and will grow in any soil or situation. For a hedge, plant in single row, 15 inches apart.

During the growing season, the foliage of the plants is attractive, because the new growth, light green in color, is in sharp contrast to the foliage of the old wood, which is a glossy, dark, rich green. In the fall, the foliage turns to bright orange and scarlet, and persists until November or December, according to the locality.

The Japanese Barberry is hardy anywhere in this country; and it will thrive in almost any situation, even in partial shade. Poor soil is no barrier to its successful cultivation.

Fine 2 year transplants 10-15 inch, branched with heavy roots, 4 for 60c; 10 for \$1.50; 25 for \$3.00, postpaid. By express, 100 for \$8.00; 200 for \$15.00.

Fine 3 year transplants 15-20 inch, branched with heavy roots, 4 for 80c; 10 for \$1.90, postpaid. By express, 25 for \$4.50; 50 for \$8.00; 100 for \$15.00.

Extra heavy 3 and 4 year plants 20-30 inches or more, 50c each; \$4.00 per 10; 25 for \$8.75; 50 for \$16.00; 100 for \$30.00, by express.

Althea or Rose of Sharon Today more useful or desirable for hedge purposes than the Althea or Rose of Sharon. It has all the good qualities of any other hedge plant, some that no other hedge plant has. It is very hardy, beautiful in bloom, can be made either a tall screen or a low hedge, transplants very easily, and can be pruned to any desired form. 2 year, 12-18 inch, sturdy hedge planting stock, \$20.00 per 100; 25 at 100 rate, by express.

Hydrangea Paniculata Grandiflora This variety of Hydrangea makes one of the most beautiful hedges imaginable. For anyone wanting a flowering hedge that will not require trimming, we recommend this plant very highly. They are very hardy, have beautiful glossy green leaves, will grow under most any conditions and make a very desirable hedge indeed. Plant 12 inches apart in single row. It is also one of the finest shrubs for specimen planting on the lawn, for foundation planting or massed with other shrubbery. Strong 2 year plants, 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.00; postpaid. By express, 50 heavy 2 year stocky plants for hedging, \$13.50; 100 for \$25.00.

Heavy three year for immediate effect, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$7.00; 50 for \$25.00; 100 for \$40.00, by express.

California Privet One of the finest all-purpose hedges, most popular and most beautiful hedge grown. A pretty shrub with smooth, shining leaves, of unusual beauty. There are many plants that may be used for the ornamental hedge with happy results, but the great demand for California Privet proves it to be the most popular and satisfactory of all hedge plants. It grows better and with less care than any other hedge that can be planted and thrives in almost any soil. Our demand each season is far in excess of our supply. We have an exceptionally fine growing stock at this time and we offer it at the same low prices as last season. At this low attractive price it is easily the cheapest and best hedge fence for anyone. It is equally pretty for shrubs and in group planting. Shears splendidly

to any shape or form. 1 year old plants, 12-18 inch, \$5.00 per 100; \$40.00 per 1000. 2 year old plants, 18-24 inch, \$7.00 per 100; \$60.00 per 1000, by express. In small quantities we offer 2 year 12-18 inch, 10 for \$1.00; 18-24 inch, 10 for \$1.50, postpaid.

Chinese Privet (Ibota). This valuable new variety is more branching than California, with bright green foliage, and small clusters of fragrant white flowers. Its great value is for hedges or shrubbery borders. Absolutely hardy everywhere, and can be trimmed to any desired form. 2 year 12-18 inch, 4 for 75c; 12 for \$2.50, postpaid. By express, 25 for \$3.00; 100 for \$10.00. 3 year, 18-24 inch, 4 for \$1.25; 12 for \$3.50, postpaid. By express, 25 for \$4.00; 100 for \$15.00.

Box-Barberry An improved Thunbergii type, available in every way like its parent, but with definite qualifications all its own. While the leaves are still green; its foliage is so round and dense and its growth so evenly compact, it bears a striking resemblance to Boxwood. Inheriting the barberry hardness, it can be and is largely used in our northern latitudes to obtain a boxwood effect as rich and convincing as the real box in sunnier climes. Slower and lower growing than Thunbergii, its density allows closer trimming; so that, again like boxwood, sheared specimens may be trained into perfect globes or pyramids, as well as in the conventional cropped hedge. 3 year 9-12 inch, 50c each; \$4.50 per 10, postpaid. By express, \$30.00 per 100. 2 year 8-10 inch, 35c each; \$3.00 per 10, postpaid. By express, \$20.00 per 100.

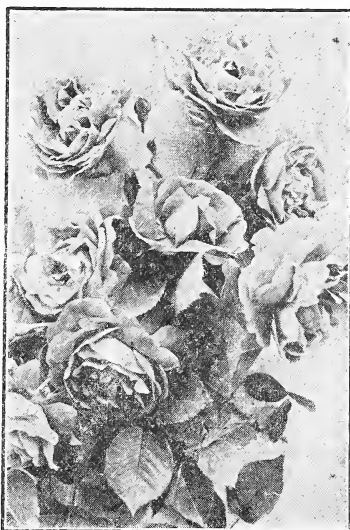
Spiraea Van Houttei This splendid shrub makes a wonderfully fine hedge plant. You can trim to any desired height or let it grow tall. It is so hardy that it can stand almost any abuse and thrive. We offer sturdy field grown 2 year transplanted stock, 18 inches high which will please anybody. 100 for \$20.00. 25 at 100 rate. By express.

Woodland, Wash., Oct. 5, 1926.

Gentlemen: I wish to thank you for the very prompt delivery of my order, and also for the fine large bulbs. They were in fine condition, roots still moist after the trip almost across the continent.

Sincerely,

MRS. L. C. PECK.



Gardenia Rose. See page 42

Hardy Roses



White Dorothy

These are the beautiful June Roses so universally popular. They are the largest and richest in colors of all Roses, and perfectly hardy everywhere. The varieties we list are the pick of more than one hundred kinds. Strong 2 year field grown stock which will bloom this season. Tops cut back ready to plant. Do not confuse these roses with little slips from greenhouses sold for a few cents each.

PLANT IN SPRING OR FALL

By mail, postpaid
Ea. 3 for 12 for

Frau Karl Druschki. Splendid white, hardy rose	75c	\$2.00	\$7.00
General Jacqueminot. Brilliant crimson	75c	2.00	7.00
Paul Neyron. Finest bright shining pink	75c	2.00	7.00
Gruss An Teplitz. Intense fiery crimson	75c	2.00	7.00
Los Angeles. Most wonderful new rose introduced in years. Luminous flame pink toned with coral and shaded translucent gold at base of the petals	\$1.00	2.50	\$9.00

Set of one each of the above, each variety labeled, for \$3.50, postpaid.

EVERGREEN BOXWOOD PLANTS

These have always been imported from Europe but are now grown in this country. Every visitor to Mount Vernon has seen the beautiful hedges and specimens planted by George Washington. They are perfectly hardy. Boxwood is a very dwarf grower but always beautiful. It is fine for edging paths and beds. You can train it by trimming for porch boxes or for tubs. Boxwood runs into money fast when it gets to be 15 to 18 inches high. Larger specimens bring high prices. We realize most people cannot afford this expensive stock, but would like to get some at a reasonable price. The stock we offer is 5 to 6 inches high, well rooted and sold at a real bargain. Price, 3 for \$1.00; 6 for \$1.75; 12 for \$3.25; 25 for \$6.00, postpaid; 100 for \$20.00, shipped postage or express collect.

NOTE.—There will be some dirt around these roots, but they will not be heavy. You will have no trouble making them live. They will be most carefully packed. Boxwood is hardy, we winter outdoors here.

HARDY CLIMBING ROSES

By mail postpaid
Each 3 for 12 for

Dorothy Perkins. Beautiful shell pink	65c	\$1.75	\$8.00
White Dorothy. Pure white	65c	1.75	6.00
Gardenia. Bright double yellow cream	65c	1.75	6.00

Mixed Roses We can offer our customers a choice assortment of these including many varieties not listed in our catalog. These include such varieties as Persian Yellow, Ulrich Brunner, Pink Killarney, Magna Charta, and many other favorite varieties. Some of our blocks unfortunately got mixed and so we are going to sell them at a sacrifice. All are two year field grown. Price 50c each; 3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$3.00, postpaid.

Everblooming Hardy Cluster Rose Baby-Rambler

Entirely distinct from all other Roses. Neat, dwarf, compact habit, in bloom continually from June until frost. Pretty, little, perfectly double flowers in large clusters. Color brilliant crimson. Perfectly hardy, retaining its glossy green foliage all summer. Grows about 18 inches high. One of the finest ever introduced. Two year field grown plant. Don't confuse this with the Climbing Ramblers. We have seen a number of beautiful hedges of this variety. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$7.00, postpaid.

Rosa Rugosa Rubra A valuable perfectly hardy

Rose of vigorous growth, forming neat bushes 3 to 4 ft. high. In bloom usually from June to October. Large single rosy-crimson flowers in clusters, followed by scarlet seed pods. Rich glossy green foliage, not subject to mildew. A single specimen plants or planted with other shrubbery it always gives satisfaction. Our prices are very reasonable. 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$5.00, postpaid.

FAMOUS HARDY FERNS

Ostrich The Ostrich Fern is one of the best. Does well under cultivation. It is large, growing in a crown from three to four feet tall. The leaves or fronds broadly lance shaped which curve gracefully outward. The Ostrich is easily cultivated and group themselves effectively in shaded corners or in damp places, but do fairly well when exposed to the sunlight. Splendid for planting in private gardens or parks. Can be planted from October until June. The large clumps we are offering will make a good showing the first year. Plant shallow and cover with leaves for best results. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.50, postpaid.

Barberton, O., Feb. 1st, 1926.

Ransom Seed & N. Co., Geneva, O.

Gentlemen: Two years ago about this time I answered an advertisement and received your catalog. If you remember I gave you a nice order. I received prompt attention and service. Also everything I bought from you was very satisfactory. Now I am thinking of planting a few more things and would like to have your latest catalog.

Yours truly,
L. F. SWARTZ.

SEND FOR OUR HAND MADE WILLOW BASKET FOLDER

Our fern stands, fireside baskets, wall pockets, cut flower baskets, automobile shoppers, and many other lovely and useful hand made willow baskets are listed. Our local grown willow and expert weavers make it possible for us to deliver these lovely baskets to you at a surprisingly low cost.

Young Shade Trees

We have had such a call for young shade trees the past few years that preparations were made to have them ready for our trade this year. Large size shade trees are hard to handle, pack and ship and cost quite a bit of money. These small one and two year trees pack well for parcel post shipment, are easy to handle, and practically every one will live. They are so cheap run a row of them in the garden, cultivate for a year or so, prune to desired shape and you will have nursery grown trees at very small expense. These trees will run from 12 to 24 inches high. The following shade trees are just about the best kinds.

Ash—European Mountain.
Catalpa—Speciosa.
Elm—American White.
Linden—American.
Locust—Black.
Maple—Silver.
Walnut—Black.
Willow—Pussy or Golden.

Order any of these you please at the rate of 4 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.20; 25 for \$5.00; 50 for \$9.50; 100 for \$18.00, postpaid.

Russian Mulberry Trees 200 for Only \$5.00

It is absolutely hardy, will grow anywhere, is handsome, clean, quick growing, and can either be al-

lowed to grow to a big windbreak or kept trimmed down to any shape or size you want.

If wanted for a hedge, plant in a solid row, 1 foot apart in the row, cut back nearly to the ground when planted, so as to make it branch low, and then keep it severely cut back. This will make a dense bushy hedge which can be kept at any desired height.

Or if you want it for a windbreak, plant two or more rows, 6 feet apart, with the trees 6 feet apart in the row and staggered so as to break joints. Let them grow naturally and they will make a dense windbreak, 20 feet high or more. Fine for protection around poultry yards.

As individual shade trees, they are ideal. Quick growing, clean and hardy, and making good shade.

And on top of all their other good qualities they furnish an abundance of palatable and useful fruit good for either eating raw or cooking.

It is claimed that the Mulberry trees will keep the birds from eating your cherries and berries, as they ripen at the same time and the birds prefer the mulberries to any other fruit.

The best size to plant is the 1 year, which is generally about 18 inches high. They live better and grow faster than the larger trees, and can be bought very cheaply, and can be sent by parcel post.

SPECIAL OFFER.—Genuine Russian Mulberry, thrifty 1 year trees, 25 for \$1.00; 50 for \$1.75; 100 for \$3.00; 200 for \$5.00, postpaid. This is a real buy.

Western Reserve Grown Grape Vines

Plant Spring or Fall

One of the Most Profitable Fruits Grown. A Vineyard Will Last a Lifetime

We are large growers and propagators of grape vines. Our cuttings are made from bearing vineyards, and so are absolutely true to name.

Grapes should be planted 8 to 10 feet, requiring 545 plants per acre.

BEST VARIETIES

There are over 100 varieties of grapes to select from, but a great many of them have no merit, while others have too many bad qualities, which, in our estimation, disqualifies them for general use.

The market for grapes is far greater than the supply, and anyone wanting to plant an acre or so will find them a profitable crop to grow.

PLEASE WRITE US FOR SPECIAL PRICES IF YOU ARE PLANTING A COMMERCIAL VINEYARD, STATING QUANTITY WANTED. THIS WILL PAY YOU.

NOTE.—Vines which are shipped by parcel post we cut back the tops to just two buds which should be done in all cases when planting. The roots should also be cut back in all cases so they are about 6 inches long.

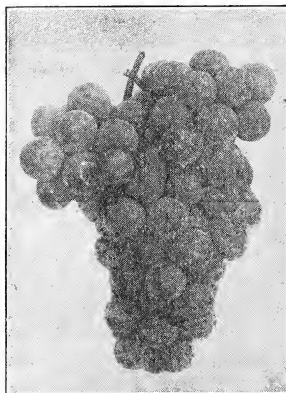
BLACK GRAPES

Concord From sheer merit the Concord has become the most popular grape in the United States. Taking the country as a whole, more Concord are now in bearing than of any other variety. No other grape succeeds over such a wide area or in so many different soils. It is the standby in grapes. New varieties may come, but they have to work hard to reach the Concord standard for market purposes. Matures early, keeps well, ships well and sells well. Bunches big, berries are juicy, sweet and delicious. Concord overcomes local grape troubles and is safe to plant. 1 year No. 1, 15c each; 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.50; 25 for \$2.50, postpaid. By express, 100 for \$6.00.

2 year No. 1, 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.25; 25 for \$4.00, postpaid. By express, 100 for \$10.00.

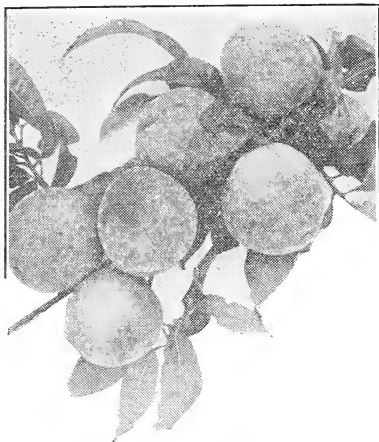
Moore's Early One of the best very early Grapes. A seedling of the Concord, which it equals in vigor and hardness of vine, but ripens ten days or two weeks earlier than that variety. Bunch large; berry round and large, black, with a heavy blue bloom; quality good. 2 year No. 1, 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.25; 25 for \$4.00, postpaid. By express, 100 for \$10.00.

Worden This is a seedling of the Concord and while its berries and bunches are larger and the fruit is of better quality, it is not as good a keeper and does not ship as well to distant markets. It is a superior variety for home use and for nearby markets, and on account of its high quality and large size usually brings a higher price than Concord. For home use we know of no grape of greater value. Fruit ripens one or two weeks earlier than Concord. 2 year No. 1, 30c each; 2 for 75c; 12 for \$2.50; 25 for \$4.50, postpaid. By express, 100 for \$14.00.



Worden

GRAPES—Continued



Elberta Peach

Hubbard The finest, sweetest, earliest delicate black table grape yet produced. Ripening ten days before Concord. Hubbard is so rich in sugar it is excellent in flavor ten days before it is ripe. Bunches are extra large, compact, and solid, berry very large with few seeds. Vine is a vigorous grower, very productive often yielding 40 to 60 pounds to a single vine. The fruit is immune to rot, and has never been known to winterkill. It thrives on any kind of soil and should be in every collection. Strong 2 year roots, 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$5.50, postpaid.

RED GRAPES

Agawam Deep red or maroon. The large meaty berries, which are borne in extra large, loose-shouldered bunches, are juicy and of a delightful aromatic flavor. Ripens about with Concord or a trifle later. Vine a strong healthy grower. 2 year No. 1, 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 25 for \$3.75, postpaid. By express, \$12.00 per 100.

Delaware A choice table variety, and deserves a place in every vineyard or garden. Bunches and berries small but compactly set; light red with violet bloom; sugary and delicious. Early. The Delaware is the hardest grape to propagate of any variety we grow. Even under the most favorable conditions it will hardly make a 50 per cent stand from cuttings. The stock we offer this year is of our own growing and the finest we have ever grown. Our prices are low. 1 year No. 1, 30c each; 3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.50, postpaid. 2 year No. 1, 40c each; 3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$3.75, postpaid.

Caco New Red Grape A variety of exceptional merit and should be in every collection planted. It combines more good qualities than any other variety introduced in many years.

The Caco is perfectly hardy in all parts of the country. It has been pronounced by the best growers in America to be equal in quality to any variety grown either out of doors or under glass. It is the most beautiful of the hardy grapes, the bunches are large, well shouldered, color wine red with abundant bloom. Bunches are compact and of good size and form. Earlier than Concord and is sweet and palatable several weeks before it is fully ripe. The vine makes a very strong growth, hence is valuable for covering trellis or screen. Caco is beyond doubt one of the best of our native grapes. Strong 2 year, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$7.00, postpaid.

WHITE GRAPES

Niagara Home and market growers seem to agree that this is the most valuable of all white grapes. Its clusters are large and handsome, compactly filled with large berries having thin but tough skin. When fully ripe, they are a pale yellow with

a thin white bloom. The flesh is slightly pulpy, tender, sweet and delightful, with a flavor and aroma peculiarly its own, and agreeable to most tastes. Vine is remarkably vigorous and productive. Foliage thick and leathery. Succeeds well both North and South, and is largely planted by vineyardists and for home use. Ripens with Concord. If left on the vines till fully ripe, they are delicious. 1 year No. 1, 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.25; 25 for \$4.00, postpaid. By express, 100 for \$10.00. 2 year No. 1, 35c each; 3 for 90c; 12 for \$3.25; 25 for \$6.00, postpaid. By express, 100 for \$14.00.

Extra Heavy 3 Year Bearing Grapes

These will bear some grapes the first year planted if properly cared for. Extra heavy vines with masses of roots. We cut tops back to two buds. We have sold this heavy stock for four years now and have never yet received a single complaint on our 3 year vines. Please bear in mind varieties like Niagara and Concord will have a heavier root system than a variety like Delaware. We have one customer who has purchased of us in the last 3 years \$1900.00 worth of 3 year Concorde, and we have held this business in competition with numerous nurserymen, some employing expensive salesmen to get this business away from us. To date they have not succeeded.

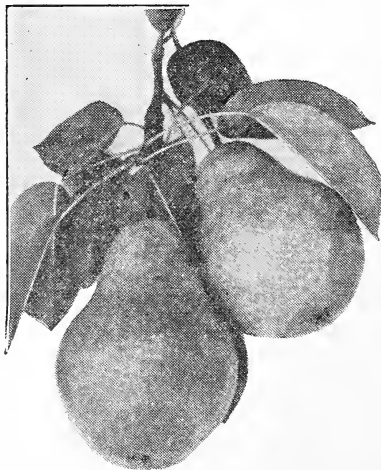
Can furnish this stock in Concord, Worden, Moore's Early, Agawam, Delaware and Niagara.

Transplanted vines, 3 year No. 1, 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$5.00, postpaid.

Grape Collection

25 GRAPE VINES
2 Year Old, 1st Class OUR SELECTION \$2.50

Each season we have a surplus of some varieties and a shortage of others. This is usually due to good or poor crop conditions. We offer nothing but the very best varieties, so you are taking no chances on getting inferior stock. We do not like to have these plants go to waste, so are offering them to you at the following prices. OUR selection of varieties. So we offer 25 Grape Vines, all first class stock, No. 1 vines, for \$2.50. Vines are guaranteed as to quality and purity. Shipped by parcel post or express, collect.



Bartlett Pear

Fruit Trees

APPLES

PLANT IN SPRING OR FALL

We recommend the planting of 1 year No. 1, 3½ to 4 foot apple trees. This age and size tree if given proper attention will produce just as quick as great big heavy stock. Any apple man who knows a hill of beans about apple trees will tell you the same thing. High priced nurserymen will not.

Early Summer Apples Early Harvest, Red Astrachan, Sweet Bough.

Fall Apples Greasy Pippin, Maiden Blush, Oldenburg or Duchess.

Winter Apples Baldwin, Banana, Delicious, Fameuse or Snow, Jonathan, King, McIntosh, Northern Spy, Rome Beauty, Wealthy.

Crab Apples Transcendent. Golden yellow fruit.

Price of 1 year Standard apple trees, No. 1 stock, 3½ to 4 ft., 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 10 for \$3.50, postpaid. By express, 25 for \$7.00; 50 for \$13.00; 100 for \$25.00.

CHERRIES

Black Tartarian Sweet Large purplish black.

Early Richmond Sour. Early dark red sour cherry.

Large Montmorency Late large red cherry.

Strong one year 3½ to 4 ft. trees. Branched, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 10 for \$6.00, postpaid. By express, \$50.00 per 100.

PLUMS

Bradshaw Large yellowish green. August.

Burbank Large nearly round, cherry red. September.

Lombard Fine yellow flesh, sweet. August.

Strong two year 3½ feet and up, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 10 for \$6.00, postpaid. By express, \$50.00 per 100.

QUINCES

Champion is the best variety. Large handsome fruit, tree bears young, and is productive. Worth all the other kinds put together.

Strong two year 3½ to 4 feet, \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$8.00, postpaid.

PEARS

These hardy varieties will prove satisfactory. So many kinds are subject to blight. Why bother with them.

Bartlett Large and juicy fruit. August.

Flemish Beauty Large pale yellow. September.

Worden Seckel Medium, golden yellow with russett cheek. Enormous bearer, juicy and sweet. The writer of this catalog remembers as if it was yesterday the Worden Seckel pear tree in the yard, and the fruit it produced.

Strong 2 year 3½ to 4 ft., 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 10 for \$6.00, postpaid. By express, \$50.00 per 100.

PEACHES

Elberta Large golden yellow. The market peach supreme. September.

New Prolific Large yellow freestone peach, heavy bearer. September.

New Rochester Large yellow freestone ripening two weeks before Early Crawford. This is, we think, the best peach in its class of any grown. Has been heavily boomed by Eastern Nurserymen and sold for big prices. August.

Salway The finest yellow late, large freestone peach. October.

Champion The finest early white freestone. Early August.

J. H. Hale Largest golden yellow peach, fruit fully 3 inches in diameter, ripe just before Elberta. Stands shipping well. Must be planted along side other varieties, never alone.

St. John Early, yellow freestone, with bright golden fruit. Early August.

Price of All Peach Trees

Strong one year 3½ to 4 ft., 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 10 for \$4.50, postpaid. By express, 25 for \$6.25; 50 for \$12.00; 100 for \$23.00.

This is the best size of peach tree to plant either for home use or commercial planting. Any peach man who knows his business will advise the same thing. Never plant two year or bearing peach trees.

Peach Tree Collection

Each season we have a surplus of some varieties and a shortage of others. We offer nothing but the very best varieties. We do not like to have these trees go to waste so are offering them to you at the following prices. OUR selection of varieties shipped by express or parcel post collect.

10, 3-4 feet first class \$ 3.00
25, 3-4 feet first class 5.00
100, 3-4 feet first class 18.00

You will get a good assortment, and the trees will be just as good as any we send out; and only varieties we list above.

Apple Tree Collection

One and Two Year Old Apple Trees. Each season we have a surplus of some varieties and a shortage of others. This is usually due to good or poor crop conditions. We offer nothing but the very best varieties, so you are taking no chances on getting inferior stock. We do not like to have these trees go to waste, so are offering them to you at the following prices, OUR selection of varieties:

10 trees, 3½ to 5 feet, 1st class, \$3.00; 25, 3½ to 5 feet, first class, \$7.00, shipped parcel post or express collect.

We will see that you get a good assortment and with the same guarantee as to quality as given all other trees offered in our catalog.

Western Reserve Grown Raspberries

BLACK

PLANT IN SPRING OR FALL

Cumberland A mammoth mid-season black-cap that loads its stout, stocky canes with handsome fruit. Its great crop of rich, large glossy berries outsell all others of their season, are firm enough to ship well, and of good quality. Is very hardy, having withstood 16 degrees below zero without injury. Ripens before Gregg. Plant for profit and you will not be disappointed.

Tip or One year plants with splendid root systems, 85c per doz.; \$1.50 per 25, postpaid. \$3.50 per 100 postage collect. By express, 250 for \$7.00; 500 for \$13.00; 1000 for \$25.00.

Two year transplants, \$1.10 per doz.; \$2.00 per 25; \$7.00 per 100, postpaid. By express, 200 for \$6.00; 500 for \$14.00.

RED VARIETIES

Cuthbert A remarkable, strong, hardy variety. It stands the Northern winters and the Southern summers better than any other variety. Berries very large, conical, rich crimson; very handsome and so firm that they can be shipped hundreds of miles by rail in good condition. Flavor is rich, sweet and luscious. The leading red variety for market and home use. Price 75c per doz.; \$1.25 per 25; \$4.00 per 100, postpaid. By express, 250 for \$6.00; 500 for \$11.00; 1000 for \$20.00.

YELLOW VARIETIES

Golden Queen This variety is almost identical with Cuthbert, except in color, it being a beautiful yellow. Fruit large, productive; quality first class. It is beyond doubt the finest and most profitable yellow berry grown. The fruit sells well on the market and is grand to display along with the red varieties. It attracts much attention. Price \$1.00 per doz.; \$1.75 per 25; \$6.00 per 100, postpaid.

PURPLE VARIETIES

Columbian Very large, often an inch in diameter; dark red, bordering on purple; adheres firmly to stem, and will dry on the bush if not picked; of rich, sprightly flavor, the best for canning or evaporating, and probably the most productive of all raspberries. A most vigorous grower, canes ten to fifteen feet in length and often over an inch in diameter, strong and woody, its roots spreading and penetrating the soil to a great depth, thus enabling it to resist drought. It propagates from the tips, and never suckers from the roots. It is very hardy, enduring 28 degrees below zero without injury. Price \$1.00 per doz.; \$1.75 per 25; \$6.00 per 100, postpaid.

EVERBEARING RASPBERRIES

St. Regis This new raspberry of recent introduction stands in a class alone. It will produce fruit from June until the berries freeze in the fall or early winter. The fruit begins to ripen very early and continues on the new canes throughout the remainder of the summer and fall months. Berries are a bright crimson, good size, rich, sugary, with excellent raspberry flavor. Flesh firm and meaty, a good shipper. Canes stocky, of strong growth, with an abundance of dark green, leathery foliage. St. Regis is a heavy bearer and has proven one of the most profitable of the red varieties. 75c per doz.; \$1.25 per 25; \$4.00 per 100, postpaid. By express, 250 for \$6.00; 500 for \$11.00; 1000 for \$20.00.

BLACKBERRIES

PLANT IN SPRING OR FALL

Mersereau This early, mammoth iron-clad blackberry originated in northwestern New York, where the mercury falls to from 15 to 25 degrees below zero, and the plants have never been injured. Berries are sparkling throughout and remain black under all conditions and circumstances. In quality it is exceptionally sweet, rich, melting and luscious, being without core. As a shipper and keeper, it is unsurpassed. The canes are of exceedingly strong, upright habit. Foliage large, abundant and entirely free from rust or blight. Price of Mersereau. Strong 1 year, 5 for 50c; 10 for 90c; 25 for \$2.00, postpaid. By express, 100 for \$5.00; 250 for \$10.00. Heavy 3 year, 5 for 60c; 10 for \$1.10; 25 for \$2.50, postpaid. By express, 100 for \$7.00; 250 for \$15.00.

DEWBERRIES

Lucretia The most largely grown of all the Dewberries for home or market. It is a trailing species of Blackberry. It is earlier than the earliest Blackberry, and larger than the largest of them. The trailing canes are hardy everywhere and free from disease. The fruit is superb, large and handsome; jet black, sweet and melting. 6 for 50c; 12 for 90c; 25 for \$2.50; 100 for \$4.50, postpaid; 1000 by express, \$25.00.

Currants and Gooseberries

Owing to numerous quarantines on these two fruits, due to the White Pine Blister Rust, we have discontinued their propagation.

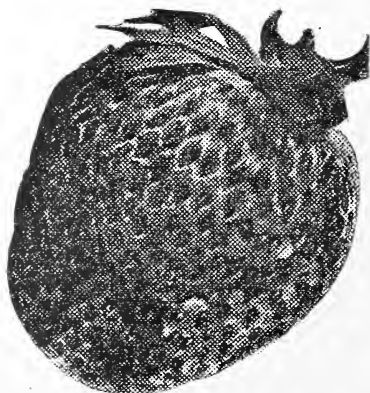
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Western Reserve Grown Strawberry Plants

PLANT IN SPRING OR FALL

We are offering only the very best varieties, all mediocre sorts have been discarded.

NOTE. We have received excellent reports on fall planted strawberries. During this season of the year there is generally more rain and less drying winds than in the spring. With us fall planting has been very successful, and we shall continue this more extensively in the future. There is just one thing to do. When the ground freezes, mulch the plants to prevent heaving out, and remove when spring comes. Fall dug plants are not quite so large as spring dug, but after Sept. 15th they are nearly as large as spring dug. Shipments are started in August.

EARLY VARIETIES

Premier Has not yet been Equalled as an Early Berry. The wonderful productive berry that is putting new life into the strawberry industry. Demand for this variety is increasing from all parts of the United States. The berry is very large in size and beautifully formed, bright red through and through, very delicious in flavor and a splendid shipper. It is the money making berry of all early varieties. Perfect flowering. 25 for 50c; 100 for \$1.00; 250 for \$2.25, postpaid. 500 for \$3.75; 1000 for \$7.00, postage collect.

Climax Perfect. A fine growing plant, producing immense crops of large red berries, ripening just after Premier. 25 for 50c; 100 for \$1.25; 250 for \$2.50, postpaid. 500 for \$4.00; 1000 for \$7.50, postage collect.

MID-SEASON VARIETIES

Gibson (Perfect). The fruit is very large, conical, bright red clear through, very firm, of excellent quality, fine for table use or canning, and is equally good for market. The plants are exceptionally strong, healthy, vigorous upright growers, with an abundance of rampant dark green foliage. It produces a splendid root system and is a good drought resister. The Gibson is a strong pollinizer, and the heaviest plant maker of any of the large growing varieties. It is well adapted to the narrow matted row or hill system. We have great faith in this variety. 25 for 50c; 100 for \$1.25; 250 for \$2.50, postpaid; 500 for \$3.75; 1000 for \$7.00, postage collect.

Ransom's Improved Howard No. 17

There has been considerable discussion about the Howard resembling the Premier. The strain of Howard which we have bred for the past several years no more resembles the Premier than a Chinaman does an Englishman. In the first place it succeeds where Premier and Dunlap would be total failures, the root system is larger than Premier, berries are roundish, and larger than Premier, red through to the center, and about one week later than Premier, and continues in bearing longer than any June variety. It is the sturdiest grower of any berry we have, with heavy dark green foliage. A fine shipper, and a big money maker. This variety needs no petting, is at home on sand, clay or black land. This berry has absolutely not a flaw. If you grow it once, you will continue fruiting it. Perfect flowering. 25 for 50c; 100 for \$1.25; 250 for \$2.50, postpaid. 500 for \$4.00; 1000 for \$7.50, postage collect.

Ransom's New Giant Wonder Perfect flowering. We have now fruited this variety for four years, and it is one of the largest, sweetest and finest flavored variety grown. It holds up its size even to the last picking. Nine berries make a layer in a full size quart box. The berries ripen without hollow centers or green tips; it will produce more than five times as many large berries to the row than any variety we offer with exception of our Howard No. 17. The plants are really giants in size with the heaviest root system of any variety grown. This enables the plant to bring enormous loads of fruit to maturity in dry seasons.

There is a great contrast in the rows of Giant Wonder with its upstanding foliage along side of any other variety. It is not a heavy plant maker and the plants will always bring a high price. It will pay you big to get a stock of this splendid berry. 25 for \$1.00; 50 for \$1.75; 100 for \$3.25; 250 for \$7.00, postpaid.

VERY LATE VARIETIES

Big Late (Imp.) Bright red glossy berries which have a fine flavor and aroma difficult to describe. It is unequalled for shipping as the berries keep in excellent condition for several days after picking. It is of great size and the plants are very prolific. Its foliage grows tall and spreading. One of the last strawberries to ripen. It should be planted with a good perfect flowering variety. Eaton is a good fertilizer for Big Late. 25 for 75c; 100 for \$1.75; 250 for \$3.25, postpaid. 500 for \$4.50; 1000 for \$8.50, postage collect.

Eaton Perfect. This is our fifth season fruiting this splendid new variety. The berries are very large smooth, the firmest berry we have ever seen, and of a beautiful dark glossy red which extends clear to the center of the berry, juicy, and of fine flavor. Light colored berries are out of date and a thing of the past in all markets. No berry on our list can beat the Eaton for canning, preserves and jelly. The plants have a splendid root system, and are clean thrifty growers. Do not fail to plant Eaton you will never regret it. 25 for 75c; 100 for \$1.75; 250 for \$3.25, postpaid. 500 for \$4.50; 1000 for \$8.50, postage collect.

EVERBEARING STRAWBERRIES

Everbearing Strawberries are a success. Every home should have a patch of these, enough for home use at least. There is good money in them, if raised for market. Just think of fresh strawberries all through the fall months. What a luxury! You can have all you need of them by planting some of the following varieties.

Set the same as other strawberry plants and keep the fruit stems picked off till about July 1, same as on all new set plants. They will produce a good paying crop of berries the first year.

Progressive (Per.) A wonderful everbearing strawberry, as the spring-set plants not only produce big crops of berries the same season, but the runner plants also begin to bear fruit as soon as they are set, and in this way Progressive yields a crop of fruit the first year. Fruit good size, of good color and appearance. Progressive will please you. 12 plants for 50c; 25 for 90c; 50 for \$1.50; 100 for \$2.25; 250 for \$5.00, postpaid. 500 for \$6.50; 1000 for \$12.00, postage collect.

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Requires only a small amount of space, and with proper care will produce a nice crop of berries in your back yard, as much as 100 to 125 quarts.

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Notes on digging and preparing strawberry plants for shipment.

All orders are fresh dug direct from field. The plants are then trimmed and tied in bunches. On August and fall orders practically all the leaves are cut off leaving only a small leaf and the new shoot. Handled in this way is much better than leaving on the plant a lot of old leaves. There are few firms which take the care we do in getting out nice plants for their trade. This really takes extra time but we believe it pays.

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	Each	10
1 -1½ feet Balled and Burlapped ..	\$ 1.50	\$ 12.50
1½-2 feet Balled and Burlapped ..	2.50	22.00
2½-3 feet Balled and Burlapped ..	3.50	32.00
3½-4 feet Balled and Burlapped ..	5.00	45.00

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	Ea.	3 for	12 for
Waves Under Moonlight. Glistering white, of large size..	40c	\$1.00	\$3.50
Koki-No-Iro. Double flowers ten inches across, rich violet purple	50c	1.25	4.00
Gold Bond. Pure double white, enriched by a creamy glow from the gold banded center	40c	1.00	3.50
Mahogany. Wonderful shade of mahogany	50c	1.25	4.00
Maple Waterfall. Double variegated, bright rosy crimson, beautifully feathered in white. Stigmas white, purple crested	50c	1.25	4.00

SPECIAL OFFER. One of each of above five kinds of Japanese Iris labeled, postpaid, for \$2.00.

Mixed Japanese Iris Both single and double. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00, postpaid.



NURSERY PROPAGATION

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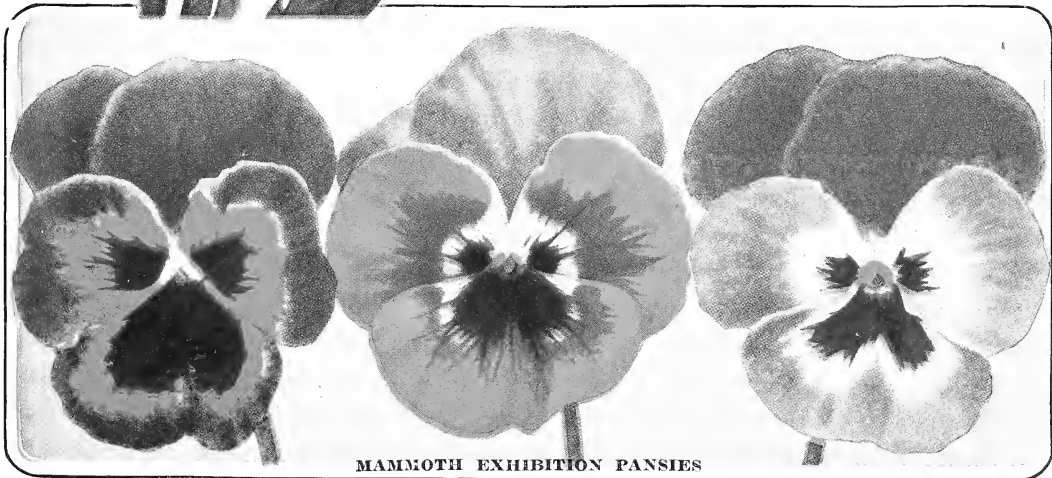
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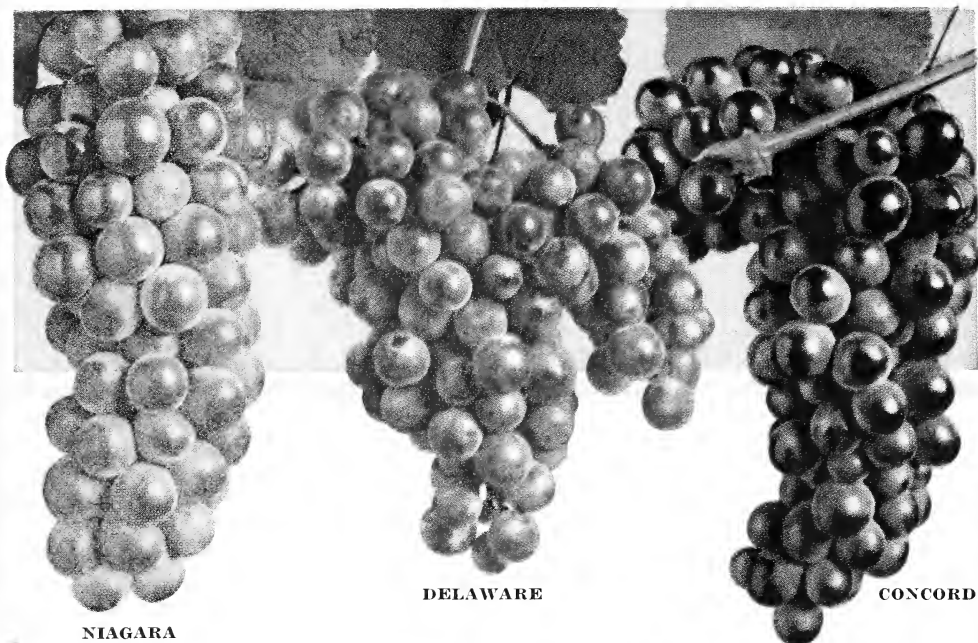
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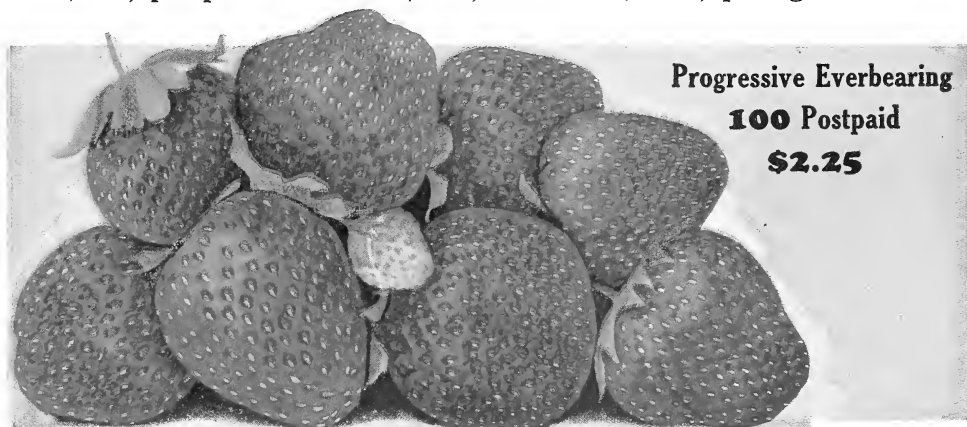
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